

# RADIO MARIA

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## Offering Ourselves to God with Our Lady

Dear Friends:

As we begin the month of February, we celebrate the Liturgical Feast of the **Presentation of the Lord** on February 2<sup>nd</sup>. According to the Jewish law, 40 days after his birth, the first-born male had to be presented to the Lord. Mary carried Jesus in her own arms. At the same time, Mary had to go through her purification from uncleanness according to Jewish law. We know that both Jesus and Mary did not have to submit themselves to the requirements of the law.

However, this feast reminds us that Mary renewed her fiat, her obedience to God and she offered not only herself, but Jesus to God. It is an invitation to renew our dedication to the Lord by offering our work, our life and everything we are and do. Parents are invited to offer their children to God. Through the Sacrament of Baptism, children become adopted children of God through Christ. They receive the supernatural life of grace from God. Mary said yes to God's gift of new life, but many are saying no.

**January 22<sup>nd</sup> marked the 43<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the Supreme Court decision on Roe vs. Wade which legalized abortion.** Since 1973, there have been over 56 million abortions in the U.S. according to the U.S. Census Bureau. As you are reading this newsletter, an unborn baby is not

given the possibility of life. God's gift of life is taken away because of the decision of his or her mother. *(Please read Cardinal Timothy Dolan's statement for this anniversary on page 4).*

Every year, on January 22<sup>nd</sup>, all the Diocese of the United States observe a **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**. Let us continue to pray throughout the year for an end of abortion by calling upon the intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the patroness of the unborn. She teaches us about the invaluable gift of life in every human person especially for the unborn who cannot speak for themselves.

**February 10<sup>th</sup> is the beginning of Lent with Ash Wednesday.** Let us deepen our commitment to a life of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. *(Please read the Lenten regulations on page 5.)*

**February 11<sup>th</sup> is the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, designated by Saint John Paul II, as the World Day of the Sick.** He wrote that it is "a special time of prayer and sharing, of offering one's suffering for the good of the Church, and of reminding us to see in our sick



*brother and sister, the face of Christ who, by suffering, dying, and rising, achieved the salvation of the human race"* (Letter Instituting the World Day of the Sick, 13 May 1992, 3).

Please remember our work here at Radio Maria that is in need of your prayers and donations.

May God's Blessings be on all of you, especially for the elderly and those who suffer and are sick.

May Our Lady guide and protect us in a special way through this Lenten Season.

Blessings,

*Fr. John Tino*

**January 2, 2016  
Message to Mirjana**

"Dear children, as a mother, I am joyful to be among you because I desire to speak anew about the words of my Son and of His love. I hope that you will accept me with the heart, because the words of my Son and His love are the only light and hope in the darkness of today.

This is the only truth and you who will accept and live it, will have pure and humble hearts.

My Son loves those who are pure and humble. Pure and humble hearts bring to life the words of my Son, they live them, they spread them and they make it possible for everyone to hear them. The words of my Son bring back life to those who listen to them. The words of my Son bring back love and hope.

Therefore, my beloved apostles, my children, live the words of my Son. Love each other as He loved you. Love each other in His name, in memory of Him. The Church is advancing and growing because of those who listen to the words of my Son; because of those who love; because of those who suffer and endure in silence and in the hope of final redemption.

Therefore, my beloved children, may the words of my Son and His love be the first and the last thought of your day. Thank you."

**January 25, 2016  
Message to Marija**



"Dear children! Also today I am calling all of you to prayer. You cannot live without prayer, because prayer is a chain which brings you closer to God.

Therefore, little children, in humility of heart return to God and to His commandments so that with all of your heart you are able to say: as it is in Heaven so may it be on earth. You, little children, are free to in freedom decide for God or against Him. See where Satan wants to pull you into sin and slavery. Therefore, little children, return to my heart so that I can lead you to my Son Jesus who is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Thank you for having responded to my call!"

Note: We await the final judgment of the Catholic Church to which we humbly submit.

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# New Programs

## Religion & Architecture

Hosted by:  
**Michael Molinelli**



**Mondays, 12 noon (ET);  
11am (CT)**

**Michael Molinelli**, AIA NCARB LEED ap is an award winning architect with commissions in many diverse building types all around the greater metropolitan area. Michael sits on the Stepinac Foundation Board and is a firefighter (former Captain) in the Briarcliff Manor Hook and Ladder Company. In 1995, Michael married Regina Creary in a church of his design in Spring Valley NY. They settled in his childhood home in his hometown where Michael added a studio for his practice. They have three teenage children in parochial schools, a dog, a cat and a mortgage.

The series will explore how dominant philosophies/theologies created the most popular architecture movements of the western hemisphere. It will also examine how many religions across many cultures from around the world use the same three basic architectural techniques. Finally the series explores Catholic liturgical history specifically and how it forms the church buildings we use today.

Tune in on Mondays at 12 noon (ET)/11am (CT). Michael would love to hear from you at **866-333-MARY (6279)**. Please give him a call with any comments and/or questions.

## Eucharistic, Mercy & Saints

Hosted by:  
**Kathleen Beckman**



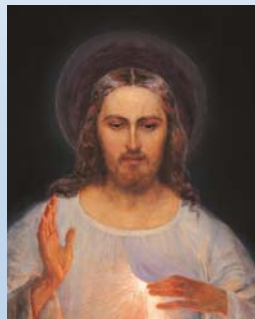
**Tuesdays, 7pm (ET);  
6pm (CT)**

Called to be saints we are healed by Divine Mercy to live the joy of the Eucharist. This program urges growth in Eucharistic holiness and proclaims the healing power of Divine Mercy. The host, Kathleen Beckman, author of "Rekindle Eucharistic Amazement" and "God's Healing Mercy" helps us to rediscover the centrality of the Eucharist and Divine Mercy for holiness, healing and happiness.

Catechesis is based on two papal encyclicals: "Ecclesia de Eucharistia" and "Dives in Misericordia". The lives of the saints are highlighted for their practical example of living Eucharistic lives as vessels of Divine Mercy.

Let us together live the adventure of God's healing mercy and Eucharistic love to become future saints.

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## Feedback



...from our  
**Listeners**

"Thank you for the BLESSING you are to God's people. Ave Maria!" — *Nancy C.*

"Thank you Radio Maria— wonderful company for me! Love and prayers." — *Clara K.*

"I like Radio Maria USA because I like the Holy Word of the Lord." — *Mohamed R. Algeria.*



## Message of Pope Francis for Lent 2016

*"I desire mercy, and not sacrifice" (Mt 9:13).*

*God's mercy transforms human hearts; it enables us, through the experience of a faithful love, to become merciful in turn. In an ever new miracle, divine mercy shines forth in our lives, inspiring each of us to love our neighbor and to devote ourselves to what the Church's tradition calls the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. These works remind us that faith finds expression in concrete everyday actions meant to help our neighbors in body and spirit: by feeding, visiting, comforting and instructing them. On such things will we be judged.*

*For this reason, I expressed my hope that "the Christian people may reflect on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy; this will be a way to reawaken our conscience, too often grown dull in the face of poverty, and to enter more deeply into the heart of the Gospel where the poor have a special experience of God's mercy".*

# Excerpts from Cardinal Dolan's Statement on the 43<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Roe vs. Wade Decision



Cardinal Timothy Dolan's, archbishop of New York and chairman of the Committee on Pro-Life Activities of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops made a statement on the 43rd anniversary of the Supreme Court decisions Roe vs. Wade which legalized abortion in the United States,

January 22, 1973.

Such an anniversary cannot be celebrated. But it does offer an opportunity to take stock — to ask where we are, forty-three years after the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton decisions, and where we need to go.

We live in an increasingly divided nation, where people of different views as well as different races, religions, and national origins often seem to lack the patience and good will to respect each other and try to live in harmony. Abortion itself, despite the endorsement of our highest legal tribunal and many political and cultural elites, is as controversial as ever. Most Americans oppose a policy allowing legal abortion for virtually any reason — though many still do not realize that this is what the Supreme Court gave us. Most want to protect unborn children at later stages of pregnancy, to regulate or limit the practice of abortion, and to stop the use of taxpayer dollars for the destruction of unborn children. Yet many who support important goals of the pro-life movement do not identify as "pro-life," a fact which should lead us to examine how we present our pro-life vision to others.

Even as Americans remain troubled by abortion, a powerful and well-financed lobby increasingly insists that there is no real issue here — that abortion is just another part of "basic health care" for women, to be seamlessly integrated into our health system and

our lives. Planned Parenthood and other abortion promoters say they will no longer call themselves "pro-choice," apparently realizing that this phrase might allow others to choose a path different from their own. They hold that abortion must be celebrated as a positive good for women and society, and those who cannot in conscience provide it are to be condemned for practicing substandard medicine and waging a "war on women."

We see this in the rising opposition of some political leaders to the very notion of a right of conscience on abortion. A few years ago, for example, President Obama pledged to defend the conscience rights of those who do not accept abortion, and his Administration assured us that longstanding federal laws protecting these rights must be fully enforced. Yet in the final days of 2015, he and other Democratic leaders were unwilling to support the Abortion Non-Discrimination Act, a modest measure to provide for effective enforcement of these laws.

While this is disturbing, it is also an opportunity. The great majority of Americans are not committed to this extreme ideology. They do not see the unborn child as an illness or a tumor. They are repelled when they see the callousness of the abortion industry, as in the recent undercover videos of Planned Parenthood officials calmly discussing the harvesting of body parts. They do not want to be pushed into actively promoting and paying for abortion. They do not want doctors and nurses who are sensitive to the value of life at its most vulnerable to be driven from the healing professions. They are open to hearing a message of reverence for life.

In taking up this challenge, we who present the pro-life message must always strive to be better messengers. A cause that teaches the inexpressibly great value of each and every human being cannot show disdain or disrespect for any fellow human being.

# Lenten Regulations

Wednesday, February 10, 2016 is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.

In order to assist us during this Lenten season, the Church reminds us of some of the minimal requirements that are to be observed:

**ABSTINENCE**: All the faithful who have reached 14 years of age are required to abstain totally from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.

**FASTING**: All the faithful between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may also be taken on two other occasions during the day.

**EASTER DUTY**: After having reached the age of discretion, members of the faithful are bound to confess once a year grave sins which have not already been absolved and to receive Holy Communion once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter Season, unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time of the year.

The faithful are encouraged to celebrate the sacraments of the Eucharist and Penance frequently during the Lenten season. Reading the Scriptures, prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, generosity

toward the poor and the needy are additional means of becoming more involved in the Lenten season.

Are excused from fast or abstinence, besides those outside the age limits, those of unsound mind, the sick, the frail, pregnant or nursing women according to need for meat or nourishment, manual laborers according to need. They can substitute in whole or in part for fast and abstinence other forms of penance, especially works of charity and exercise of piety. Pastors and parents are to see to it that minors who are not bound by the law of fast and abstinence are educated in an authentic sense of penance.

It should be noted that Fridays throughout the year are designated days of penance. The Code of Canon Law states that Friday is a day of abstinence from meat throughout the year except on Solemnities. The American Bishops allow us to choose a different form of penance rather than abstaining from meat, but there must be some form of penance, for this is the day we commemorate Christ's suffering and death. The bishops stress that "among the works of voluntary self-denial and personal penance...we give first place to abstinence from flesh meat" (Pastoral Statement on Fasting and Abstinence).



# LENT

A SEASON OF RENEWAL

# Radio Maria USA Fundraising Gala



## *Dinner Dance Fundraising Gala*

**Sunday, April 10, 2016**

**12:30 pm — 5:30 pm**

at

**Floral Terrace**  
**250 Jericho Turnpike**  
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6:00AM	Full Rosary Pope John Paul II	Angelus, Holy Rosary with Various Bishops, Litany						7:00AM	
6:30AM		Food for the Journey, Sr. Ann Shields / Saint of the Day					God's Word Alive: Sunday's Readings Tom Webb	7:30AM	
7:00AM		Morning Prayers & Holy Rosary						Morning Prayer & Holy Rosary	8:00AM
7:30AM	Morning Prayers	Morning Office of the Liturgy of the Hours (Lauds) and Preparation for Holy Mass						Lauds	8:30AM
8:00AM	Reflection on the Sunday Gospel Fr. John Tino	Sacrifice of the Holy Mass						Reflection on the Sunday Gospel Fr. John Tino	9:00AM
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11:00AM	Renewing Our Faith Dcn. Bill Brennan	Religion and Architecture Michael Molinelli	Quest for a Culture of Life in America Steve Koob	Living the Spirituality of the Most Precious Blood Francesca Franchina	The Flame of Love (1st, 3rd, 5th) Chuck Webster The Good News Hour: Personal Testimonies (2nd, 4th) Mary Bond	Pro-Life Activism from Creation to Death Jim Sedlak	Will of God: Writings of Luisa Piccarreta Fr. Robert Young	Noon	
Noon	Angelus, Midday Office of the Liturgy of the Hours, Saint of the Day							1:00PM	
12:30PM	Vatican Radio Features	Food for the Journey - Sr. Ann Shields / Vatican News					Message of Our Lady of Fatima for Today Dcn. Bob Ellis	1:20PM	
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