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*'Receptivity & Commitment to the Person and Culture of the Holy Spirit
Particularly in Covenant Love'*

*The Monterey Bay branch leaders may be contacted with any issues. Please remember
to pray for them: Rob Albright, Greg Beardsley, Pam Flynn, and
Tim Gassaway (PBC)*

This MONTH in COTL Nov. 6th - Nov. 19th, 1017

Nov. 9 6:00 p.m. -GCG @ Gassaway's – RSVP please

Birthday and Anniversary

11/3	Rob Albright's birthday
11/7	Tony Din's birthday
11/12	Dennis Kehoe
11/14	Jossie Diaz
11/16	Thomas Sanchez
11/17	Fr. John Warburton
11/18	Thomas Lenz
11/23	Mick Flynn

Dates for 2017

12/2 Christmas Party @ Flynn's

Dates for 2018: For those who like to plan ahead!

2/16 -18 Convocation

4/20-22 Kid's retreat at Ojai

6/25-29 Camp Powell

Dates for Teen Retreat will be made available soon.

Pope's Intention for November, 2017

Christians in Asia

That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

St Paul Street Evangelization - Monterey Bay

"That was a great day!"

A woman named Julie was jogging on the beach walk near our table when she stopped and told us how happy she was to see a Christian presence on the street. She shared how a few weeks earlier she was jogging and she witnessed drug deals going on not far from where we were. She said she felt a darkness in the air while she was running, then shortly after that she could feel a sense of peace in the air and she looked up and saw another group of Christians praying with people at the other end of the beach walk. I had never seen anybody else evangelizing in this area, but I thought maybe we inspired some other people to share the Gospel on the street the way we have been. She was so grateful to see us that she was prompted to ask us for our prayer intentions so that she could pray for us as she jogged.

We had a great day on Saturday. We encouraged and prayed for many people. Axel was a young teenage surfer who had just gotten out of the water and was still dripping wet when he came up to our table and asked about our miraculous medals. I told him a brief story about its origin then I asked him if he needed a miracle in his life. He said yes, then explained how he was experiencing a lot of peer pressure and needed more courage to fight the temptation to give in. We gave him a crucifix with a miraculous medal and a St. Benedict's medal for protection. We prayed for him then he thanked us and headed on his way with a smile.

There were two women who walked by and we offered them a free rosary but they declined. They didn't walk far before they turned around and changed their mind. She asked for a pink one and I found some that were tangled together then she said any color would do and I told her it's better that there tangled that way we could have more time to talk while I untangled them. She

laughed. I asked her if she went to church and she told us she went to Holy Cross Church in Santa Cruz. I asked her if we could pray for her and she told us that she had three boys in their early twenties that she was having a hard time with them and she would love prayer. So we prayed for her family.

There are many times we don't quite know how to respond so we just quietly pray in tongues and ask the Holy Spirit what to do. This was the case when two young men Harry and Will who had been best friends since their early teens asked for some rosaries. One of them had been praying the rosary with a Brazilian kind of Catholic group who would eat some drug like herbs that heighten their senses while they prayed. I tried to discourage them from that practice and said you don't need anything to alter your mind to be in relationship with God. We went back and forth for a while before Dennis suggested they just ask Jesus to come into their lives and he would show them what to do. There was another man named Scott who had lived a corporate life and had recently tried to drink himself to death one night and almost succeeded. I told him God had given him a second chance at life and it was only by the grace of God that he was alive. But he didn't want to talk about God or receive prayer he just wanted to talk about himself. We tried to share Jesus with him but he said no thanks and walked off. All we can do is our best and let God do the rest.

Our day ended with a woman named Shauna who needed encouragement and prayer. She was not Catholic but her son Josh began attending a Catholic school in Carson City. She said she had tried to raise him with a Christian faith but he never embraced it until he started going to the Catholic school. He had a hard time with school and always struggled but the sisters took him under their wings and he's been doing great. I told her she should look into the Catholic faith and I gave her a brochure on it. We then prayed for her and she was very thankful.

When we got into my truck to leave I told Dennis "That was a great day!" and he said if we hadn't gone out today none of this would have happened. We thanked God and prayed for all the people we spoke to. Thanks Rob and Dennis for joining me and all the people who prayed for us! We couldn't do it without your prayer support.

God bless you all,
Tim