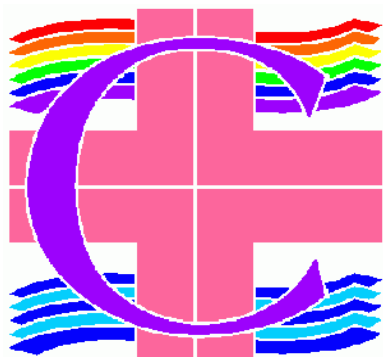


SEPTEMBER 2008

COMUNIDAD

MINISTRY WITH LESBIAN AND GAY CATHOLICS, ST. MATTHEWS'S CHURCH, LONG BEACH, CA



Mark Your Calendar

Comunidad meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 pm, ordinarily in St. Matthew's Meisel Hall. We also offer numerous social events:

September 2nd

Fr. Eugene Herbert on "Called to be a Eucharistic People"

September 14th

Comunidad goes Bowling!
See details at right

October 7th

Fr. Richard Benson on primacy of conscience

October 10th-12th

Comunidad annual retreat

November 4th

Annual Memorial Service & Election of Officers

December 2nd

Our Lady of Guadalupe/ holiday celebration!

For additional information please e-mail us or call Chris at 562-987-5191 or Ray (en Espanol) at 562-590-9309. You may also visit www.comunidadlb.org

Questions? Comments? Ideas? E-Mail us at our NEW address: comunidad@comunidadlb.org

Our Next Gathering: Tuesday, Sept. 2nd at 7:00 pm

St. Matthew's Meisel Hall, 672 Temple Avenue (at 7th Street)

Fr. Eugene Herbert, Pastor of Annunciation parish, will present "Got Bread? Called to Be a Eucharistic People." Refreshments will be served.

COMUNIDAD'S ANNUAL RETREAT IS COMING: OCTOBER 10TH-12TH

You are invited to our fall retreat, which will take place at the beautiful Mary & Joseph Retreat Center in Rancho Palos Verdes. The retreat is expected to fill up, so please send a \$100 deposit to Comunidad (address below) as soon as possible to reserve your spot!

COMUNIDAD GOES BOWLING! Join us on Sunday, September 14th for a fun afternoon starting at 1:00 at a nearby bowling alley. For more details and to RSVP, please call Ed at 714-876-7414

NACDLGM IS HERE!

The 2008 National Association of Catholic Diocesan Lesbian & Gay Ministries (NACDLGM) conference is **THIS MONTH, September 18th-21st**, on the Queen Mary here in Long Beach. Anyone involved in or concerned about the Catholic Church's outreach to LGBT people at the family, parish or diocesan level is welcome.

It isn't too late to register!

Please visit www.nacdlgm.org today!

COMUNIDAD NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT!

If you haven't yet made a gift to our 2008 Annual Appeal, we need to hear from YOU. No amount is too small, and Comunidad simply can't exist without your support. Please mail your contribution to:

Comunidad
672 Temple Ave.
Long Beach, CA 90814

If you've already given your gift for 2008, **THANK YOU!!!**

MOTHER OF CREATION, YOU FASHION US & GIFT US WITH AN ARRAY OF CREATIVITY & GROWTH. FATHER OF MERCY, YOU KEEP US IN YOUR CARE THROUGH OUR SUPPORT & SERVICE TO EACH OTHER. BLESS COMUNIDAD & OUR COMMUNITY OF ST. MATTHEW'S WITH CONTINUED ACCEPTANCE & OPENNESS. AMEN!