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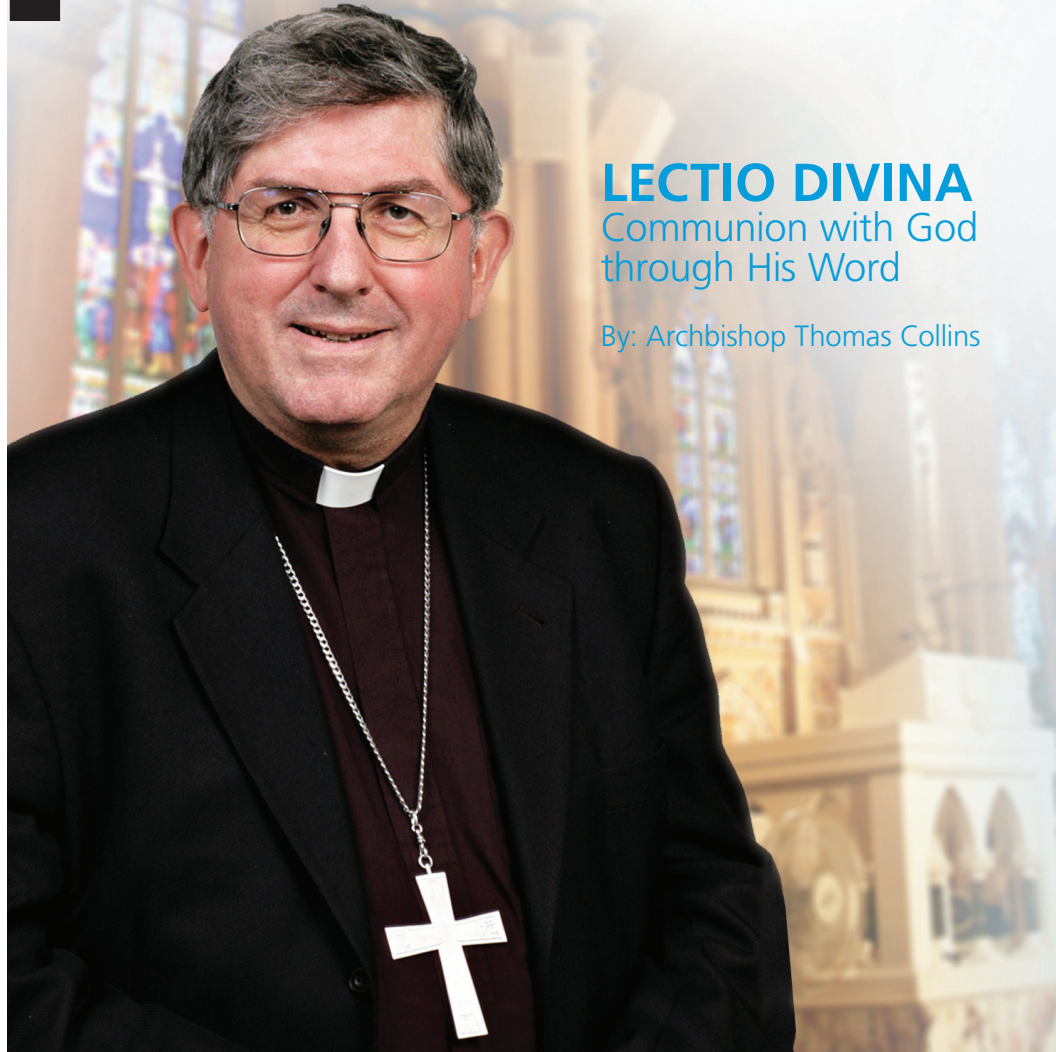
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LECTIO DIVINA

Communion with God
through His Word

By: Archbishop Thomas Collins

Lectio Divina ["divine," or "sacred," "reading"] is the name given to a spiritual tradition among Christians over the last two thousand years, in which they attentively and prayerfully read the Word of God.

Although there is an element of study in "Lectio Divina," it is not the same as Bible Study, or exegesis, where one seeks to interpret the sacred text through analysis, and with the help of the work of scripture scholars. In Lectio Divina we seek not to master or grasp the sacred text, but rather through it prayerfully and silently to come into the presence of God. We seek to be humbly attentive to God's Holy Word, to savour it, to let it enter into our heart as much as our heads, so that it may transform us.

One approach to Lectio Divina is simply to move systematically through a book of the

Bible, but it never involves worrying about "covering" a certain quantity of text; what matters more is the quality of our humble attentiveness. We choose a small portion of the sacred text, and reflect prayerfully upon it.

Lectio Divina is not intended to increase our intellectual knowledge of the Bible (though it also has that effect); instead, it is intended to draw us closer to God, and to transform our attitudes and behaviour.

Three concepts from the Tradition:

1. Memory to Hear: We read the text aloud, or repeat it from memory (which was all that many could do in ancient times, with a lack of books – it still is a profound way of encountering the Word of God).

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RESPONDING TO THE CALL

By: Father Thomas Rosica, CSB
CEO, Salt + Light Television

My vocation to the priesthood was nurtured in a large, Italian-American family in Rochester, New York. I am the eldest of six children and we were always surrounded by parents, grandparents and great-grandparents who lived their faith in very ordinary ways. My vocation was also inspired by several very fine diocesan priests, some great bishops, as well as two outstanding Basilians, Frs. Bud Cullen and Albert Gaelens at the Basilian high school in Rochester. The Sisters of St. Joseph of Rochester also played key roles in my vocation story and decision to become a religious priest.

My sister, Carolyn, is a Religious Sister of Mercy in Rochester. She is one of a few sisters left teaching in school. Another sister, Lisa, is a child psychiatrist and my youngest sister, Maria, is a teacher. One brother, Bill, is a police officer and the other, John, works in personnel management in California. My mother, Rose Ann, is a retired high school language teacher. My father, Anthony, an eye doctor, died relatively young in 1997.

It's not that at one point in my life "I found God." Rather, at one moment in my life, I decided that God would be worth searching for the rest of my life. In 1982, I chose to spend the rest of my life in the Basilian Fathers, a community of priests dedicated to the work of Evangelization and Education in the Church. Did I think of other options for a career? Of course!

Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB, turned 50 on March 3, 2009. He entered the Congregation of St. Basil (Basilian Fathers) in 1977 and took first vows in 1982. He was ordained to the priesthood on April 19, 1986, which means 23 years of ordained ministry this year. He holds dual citizenship in the USA and Canada. Fr. Rosica is usually the one inviting others to tell their story to our television audience. We invited Fr. Rosica to share some of his own story with our viewers and readers.

I thought of diplomacy in the Foreign Service, medical school, hospital chaplaincy, and teaching foreign languages. But I also knew that one concrete decision is better than a thousand options. Never in my wildest dreams did I imagine, back then, of becoming a university chaplain and lecturer in Sacred Scripture, CEO and National Director of a World Youth Day, Coordinator of a Papal Visit to Canada, superior of seminarians or Founder and CEO of a national Catholic television network!

As a Basilian I received an excellent education and formation that took me to France for my teaching year, then to Detroit for the Novitiate. From 1982-1985, I pursued my first advanced degree in Theology at Regis College in the University of Toronto. Following two fruitful years in a Basilian parish in Amherstburg, Ontario, I pursued graduate studies in Sacred Scripture at the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Rome and at the École Biblique et Archéologique Française de Jérusalem in Jerusalem.

From 1994-2000, I returned to Canada to serve as Pastor and Executive Director of the Newman Centre Catholic Mission at the University of Toronto. I also began teaching Scripture at the Toronto School of Theology. In May 1999, the Bishops of Canada appointed me to lead World Youth Day 2002 and the Papal Visit to Canada. The four-year adventure allowed me to work closely with the Vatican, bishops, young people, and lay pastoral leaders from every diocese and ecclesial movement in Canada and from 172 countries of the world. I learned how to be Catholic through that wonderful, and at times dizzying, adventure.

Following World Youth Day 2002, I had hoped to return to university work. Once again the Holy Spirit derailed things! I was invited to launch and direct the Salt + Light Television Network. My religious community also asked me to be Superior of our Formation Community in Toronto. I remained there for a little more than three years prior to being elected to the General Council of the Basilian Fathers in July 2006. I learned how to wear many hats

simultaneously, to pray much, and not to lose sleep at night and on airplane flights!

In my twenty-three years of priestly life, and several years before that as a consecrated religious, I have taught, ministered to young people and worked in the formation of priests and pastoral ministers for the Church. I am particularly grateful for the many experiences of preaching retreats to diocesan and religious priests, religious women and lay pastoral ministers in English and French-speaking Canada, the United States, and several countries of the world.

On February 26 of this year, I learned that Pope Benedict XVI had appointed me "Consultor" to the Pontifical Council for Social Communications. This honour is granted to the Church in Canada, and to the brilliant, faithful young adults who surround me at the Salt + Light Catholic Television Network. We live the words of Pope Benedict at his installation in 2005, "the Church is alive and the Church is young."

Half a century old? I don't feel it for one moment! Pope John Paul II taught me not to be afraid, and to work through the obstacles rather than allowing them to obstruct the work of Evangelization. And if anyone knew about obstacles, John Paul II did — having lived long and prospered, despite being faced from the very beginning with the tyranny of Nazism and then Communism. As we prepared for World Youth Day 2002, the Pope reminded me that as long as we keep young people close to our lives, we will remain young. The young people with whom I have had the privilege of working these past years have taught and inspired me and kept me faithful and young in mind and heart.

I can only echo the words of St. Paul in his letter to the Ephesians (3:20-21): "Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

Let's get on with the next 50 years. There is much work to be done. †

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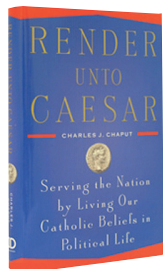
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RENDER UNTO CAESAR

Serving the Nation by Living Our Catholic Beliefs in Political Life

Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, OFM Cap, Archbishop of Denver, was in Toronto in February, speaking on the topic of religion and politics and about his new book *Render Unto Caesar*. The response was phenomenal.

To purchase a copy of *Render Unto Caesar* and other S + L products, visit the online store at saltandlighttv.org/shopping



MOTHERING, FULL OF GRACE Season 1

Now available on DVD

In support of the Catholic family, Salt + Light Television is proud to present *Mothering, Full of Grace*. Featuring real moms and real families, this 13-episode series aims to encourage and nourish women in their vocations of wife and mom.



SALT + LIGHT RADIO

Through a partnership with The Catholic Channel, Salt + Light now has a new, weekly, radio program. Host Pedro Guevara-Mann is joined by Kris Dmytrenko and Michèle Nuzzo who will bring you music, interviews, news updates, important Catholic event listings and everything else about the Church in Canada!

Salt + Light Radio can be heard weekly every Saturday at 10pm ET, 7pm PT, on The Catholic Channel through *Sirius* (ch 159) or *XM* (ch 117) Satellite Radio.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Pope Benedict XVI Appoints
Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB, Consultor
to the Pontifical Council for Social
Communications



On February 26th it was announced in Rome that the Holy Father has appointed Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB, Consultor to the Pontifical Council for Social Communications for a five-year term. Fr. Rosica has been the Chief Executive Officer of the Salt and Light Catholic Media Foundation and Television Network in Canada since its inception in 2003. He will continue in that role at the Salt + Light headquarters in Toronto, Canada.

The Pontifical Council for Social Communications deals with questions concerning the instruments of social communications and relates to the worlds of journalism, radio, television, film and information technology. The Pontifical Council works in close liaison with the Vatican Secretariat of State and advises the Pope on matters of Social Communications.

PROFILING OUR READERS

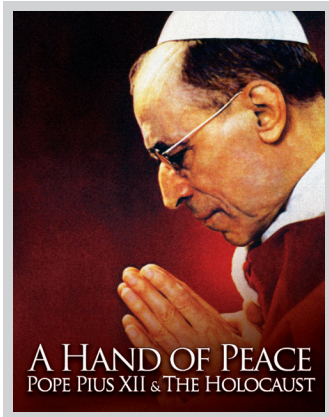
CNEWA - Holy Father's Special Agency

By: Carl Hétu

Catholic Near East Welfare Association is a lifeline for churches and people of the Middle East, Northeast Africa, India and Eastern Europe. Founded by Pope Pius XI in 1926, CNEWA continues its special mission today under the guidance of Pope Benedict XVI.



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THE TRUE STORY OF THE WARTIME POPE'S HEROIC ACTIONS

Pope Pius XII guided the Catholic Church through two tumultuous decades, firmly establishing himself as a champion of peace, and the moral voice of a world torn apart by war. However, shortly after his death in 1958, his heroic legacy was called into question by some historians who claim that his alleged silence during the Nazi holocaust allowed Hitler to carry out his "Final Solution" against the Jews. Pope Pius XII protested vehemently the persecution of Jews. His was a prophecy in action, which saved the lives of countless victims of the neo-pagan, Nazi reign of terror, rather than potentially counter-productive public statements.

A Hand of Peace: Pope Pius XII and the Holocaust is an important contribution to the robust and timely debate that has arisen surrounding Pius' wartime record. Featuring interviews with world renowned Holocaust historian Sir Martin Gilbert, the Jesuit historian and postulator Fr. Peter Gumpel, author and ardent Pius defender Sr. Margherita Marchione, MPF, PhD, this gripping documentary explores the difficult choices Pius XII faced during the Second World War, and provides convincing proof that his bold, yet discreet, prophetic actions saved tens of thousands of Jewish lives and paved the way for a new era of Catholic-Jewish relations that have deepened over the past 50 years."

Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB
CEO, Salt + Light Television

POPE PIUS XII'S CORONATION

By: Sr. Margherita Marchione

The world at large will note the 70th Anniversary of Pius XII's Coronation on March 12, 2009, and commemorate the day Eugenio Pacelli, known as Pope Pius XII, received the papal tiara. His coat-of-arms showed the symbol of peace: a dove with an olive branch. His motto indicated peace to be a fruit of justice: *Opus justitiae pax* (Is. 34, 17).



The bells of St. Peter's pealed. There was a blaze of light at the foot of Bernini's four bronze columns and beneath the baldacchino prepared for the Coronation ceremony in St. Peter's Basilica. The bronze image of St. Peter was adorned in pontifical vestments, a tiara on the head, an ancient emerald on the finger, clasping the keys of the kingdom.

Immediately after his election, Pius XII issued a call for a peace conference of European leaders. His peace plan was based on five points: the defence of small nations, the right to life, disarmament, some new kind of League of Nations and a plea for the moral principles of justice and love. Pius XII's first radio message to the world was, "Peace, gift of God, desired by all upright men, the fruit of love and justice." In his first address to the cardinals, Pius XII spoke about peace: "We invite all men to have peace in their consciences; calm in the friendship of God; to have peace in their families, united and brought into harmony by the sacred love of Christ; and, lastly, to have peace between nations by the interchange of fraternal assistance..."

On August 24, 1939, in a last minute appeal to head off the outbreak of World War II, Pope Pius XII, stated: "I appeal again to governments and their peoples; to governments that they lay aside threats and accusations and try to settle their differences by agreement; to their peoples, that they may be calm and encourage the efforts of their government for peace. It is by force of reason and not by force of arms that justice makes progress. Empires not founded on justice are not blessed by God. Immoral policy is not successful policy... Nothing is lost by peace. Everything may be lost by war... Let men start to negotiate again."

Sadly, the pope's appeal was not heeded. Soon after, World War II began. †



Sister Margherita Marchione with Pope Benedict XVI

FROM THE EDITOR



DEAD SEA SCROLLS COMING TO TORONTO

Welcome to Salt + Light Television's second edition of *lampstand*. Our winter edition was a pleasure to produce, and I hope you enjoyed the articles and information within its newly designed pages. Each edition will bring you information about our programs and personalities, as well as updates on what S+L is planning for the future.

Working in Toronto has been an adjustment for me, commuting once a week from my home town of London, Ontario. What I have particularly enjoyed is the cosmopolitan feel of the city, including the foods, sights and sounds, and most importantly the people. Toronto is a good example of what is happening in all nations around the world; a beautiful blend of cultures that make up an intricate mosaic that only God could produce. Salt + Light TV's programs also reflect that diversity through our multilingual programs. In this issue of *lampstand*, we highlight just two of the communities we serve through our Chinese and Italian programs. Of course, we have not ignored our French audience to whom 20% of our programming is dedicated. If you are interested in receiving our French newsletter, let us know and we will add your name to our mailing list.

Words That Changed the World! The Royal Ontario Museum is providing an once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to its visitors. What has been touted as "one of the greatest archaeological finds of the 20th century," the Dead Sea Scrolls will be coming to Toronto. This will be the largest and most comprehensive exhibition of scrolls ever assembled in Canada, and Salt + Light Television will be partnering with the ROM to plan many special events. For more information about this exhibition and Salt + Light's involvement, visit our website often.

A special note of thanks goes out to everyone who donated funds in response to our first Annual Appeal. The reply to our campaign to support the day-to-day operations of Salt + Light Television was strong, even in difficult economic times. Thank you for your trust in, and support of, our television network. As a not-for-profit organization, it is only through the generosity of our donors that we can continue to provide you the best Catholic programs possible. We will continue with our bi-annual appeal — before Easter and before Christmas — in the hopes that during these most holy times of the Liturgical year you will remember Salt + Light with your generous gifts. †

Gabriella Catolino, MDiv
Director of Marketing & Development



Photo: Book of War, 20-50 CE in Hebrew, discovered in Cave 11 in 1956. Courtesy of the Israel Antiquities Authority, photographs Tsila Sagiv & Clara Amit.

LECTIO DIVINA

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We start with the sacred text itself. We need to be immersed in it. We read it, or repeat it from memory, aloud again and again. We go, not to commentaries, but to the Word itself.

2. Intellect to Know: We need to reflect on the sacred text, for it is Light for our path. This is why we need to see the context of the passage, and be aware of the background and purpose of the text. What was the original intent of the human author? We also use our imagination to enter into the text, and to see it from the perspective of those who are in it. We reflect

on how it is connected to the whole of God's plan, from Old to New Testament, and see the connections. We think about how it speaks to us today.

3. Will to Love: In our loving attentiveness to the Word of God in Scripture, we open our hearts to the Word of God: Jesus our Lord. We spend time with the one we love, through our prayerful reading of Scripture, and we resolve to serve him faithfully. Lectio Divina always involves time in silent adoration of the Lord, and a resolution to let our lives be deeply transformed by God's Word. †

One Sunday evening each month, all are welcome to join Archbishop Collins, for *Lectio Divina* at St. Michael's Cathedral. The evening begins with Vespers (Evening Prayer) at 7:00pm, followed by Lectio Divina from 7:30-8:15pm.

Salt + Light Television broadcasts each *Lectio Divina* the following Sunday. Last year's series which explored the Gospel of St. Matthew's *Sermon on the Mount*, is now available for purchase on DVD. To order your copy visit the S+L online store at saltandlighttv.org. For Lectio Divina schedule, visit archtoronto.org

SALT + LIGHT TELEVISION

YOUR CATHOLIC CHANNEL OF HOPE

By: Gabriella Catolino

NATA DA PROSPETTIVE ITALIANE



Il canale televisivo "Salt + Light Television" trasmette programmi di qualità a livello internazionale grazie al supporto finanziario e spirituale che riceve dalla sua famiglia fondatrice, la famiglia Gagliano. Il capo famiglia, Gaetano Gagliano, un saggio uomo d'affari (che ha fondato il St. Joseph Printing nel 1956 nello scantinato di casa sua iniziando con una sola macchina rilevografica, ha sviluppato il business di famiglia che è una delle più grandi aziende private di comunicazioni in Canada), riusciva a vedere al di là degli orizzonti non solo per il suo business ma per tutte le cose della vita. Essendo un uomo Cattolico devoto, si è preso la responsabilità di diffondere la parola della Bibbia in lungo ed in largo, e quale modo migliore che usare la potenza straordinaria della televisione? Fu subito dopo La Giornata Mondiale Della Gioventù del 2002 che questo sogno divenne realtà e nacque Salt + Light Television.

Il signor Gagliano era, e continua ad essere, partecipante attivo dell'emittente televisiva. Il suo programma, *'In Conversazione'*, che è trasmesso in Italiano, è ancora molto apprezzato dai nostri telespettatori Italiani, e sul Telelatino (TLN). Salt + Light collabora con Telepace (un'emittente televisiva Italiana) e con il Centro Televisivo Vaticano, e offre quindi ai nostri telescoltatori una visione diretta di tutti gli eventi vaticani, inclusa la Santa Messa di Natale e Pasqua, le udienze generali con il Papa, meravigliosi concerti, ecc.

Salt + Light Television ha un grande numero di telescoltatori Italiani ed un forte sostegno da parte loro. E' ovvio che una parte importante della nostra programmazione sia dedicata al nostro pubblico poliglotta. Grazie al progetto del Sig. Gagliano, ora, a sei anni dalla nascita, la nostra programmazione in Italiano è ancora un'importante caratteristica di ciò che Salt + Light offre al pubblico.

BORN FROM ITALIAN ROOTS



Today Salt + Light Television is able to provide quality programs around the world, primarily because of the vision, financial and spiritual support of its founding family, the Gagliano family. The patriarch of the family, Gaetano Gagliano, who is a wise business man (founded St. Joseph Printing in 1956 with a single letterpress operation in the basement of his home and grew the business steadily to become the largest privately owned communications company in Canada) was far-sighted, not just in his business endeavours but in all things in his life. As a devout Catholic man, he saw it as his responsibility to spread the good news of his faith far and wide; and what better way than to use the extraordinary potential of the medium of television. It was shortly after World Youth Day in 2002 that his vision was realized and Salt + Light Television was born.

Mr. Gagliano was, and continues to be, an avid participant in the television network. His program, *In Conversation*, broadcast in Italian, continues to be well received by our Italian-speaking audience and on Telelatino (TLN). Salt + Light has a strong relationship with Telepace (Italy-based broadcasting network) and Centro Televisivo Vaticano (the Holy See's official television network), which allow us to offer our viewers a direct view of many Vatican events, including the Sacred Masses at Christmas and Easter, general audiences with the Pope, wonderful concerts and so on.

Salt + Light Television has a large Italian audience and strong support from the Italian community. It is fitting that a portion of our programming is dedicated to our multilingual audience. Born of Mr. Gagliano's vision, now six years later, our Italian-language programming still is an important feature of what Salt + Light offers.



in English, French, Italian and Chinese

By: Betty Wong

生命恩泉

由「鹽與光電視」中文節目部製作的《生命恩泉》在二零零六年啟播。他們剛於今年一月邁向全新里程，在加拿大最大的華人電視台新時代電視轉播。現在，散居加國各地的華人觀眾都可於每星期日當地時間下午四時三十五分於新時代電視收看《生命恩泉》。另外，他們亦於一月在多倫多加拿大中文電台(AM1430)播放一小時的節目《愛的恩泉》，播出時段是逢星期六下午六時至七時。

崔偉生神父和梁復斌神父是中文節目部的顧問。《生命恩泉》福傳事工由近一百名義工組成的，除了得到多倫多四個華人堂區的支持外，更通過他們的網頁(www.FLL.cc)，新成立的外展組，各項宣傳活動，互聯網(video.google.ca)和定期通訊刊物恩泉點滴，聯絡觀眾。他們的經費全部來自捐款和贊助，二零零八年十一月的週年籌款晚宴便有六百多人出席，共籌得超過十萬元善款，肯定了他們在福傳工作上的努力。

「我們不止希望把基督帶給所有加拿大的華人，而是全球華人，特別是中國的同胞。」《生命恩泉》的統籌Paul Yeung對Lampstand說。製作國語節目肯定是他們其中一個未來發展方向。

FOUNTAIN OF LOVE AND LIFE

The Chinese ministry of Salt + Light Television has been broadcasting the locally produced program *Fountain of Love and Life* (FLL) since 2006. This ministry made a huge step forward in January 2009 when its programs began broadcasting on Fairchild Television, the biggest, national, Chinese television channel in Canada. Now, Chinese audiences from across the country can watch FLL every Sunday at 4:35pm local time (Eastern Time or Pacific Time) on Fairchild Television. FLL also launched a weekly, 1-hour, Cantonese radio program on Fairchild Radio (AM1430) at the same time. The program airs every Saturday between 6-7pm (Eastern Time).

Fr. Daniel Chui, CSB and Fr. Andrew Leung, CSB are the content advisors for FLL's programs. Run by more than 100 volunteers, Fountain of Love and Life Ministry, as it has now come to be known, keeps its audience posted with the help of the four Chinese parishes in Toronto, their website www.FLL.cc, the newly created Outreach Team, various promotional activities, and their regular newsletter *FLL Spotlight*. They raise their own funds through donations and sponsorships. Over 600 people attended their Annual Fundraising Gala last November where more than \$100,000 was raised. That speaks volumes of their evangelization effort.

"We hope to bring Christ not only to Chinese viewers in Canada, but globally, especially to our brothers and sisters in China," Paul Yeung, overall coordinator of FLL, told *lampstand*. Mandarin programs are definitely one of their targets for the future.

Fountain of Love and Life
生命恩泉

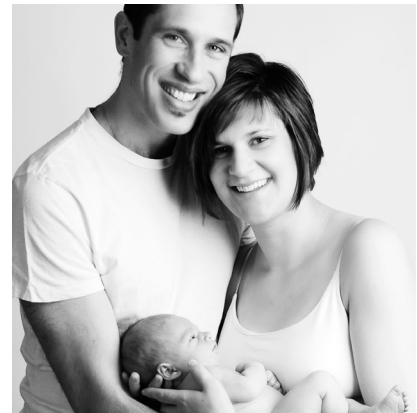


LUMINARIES

GILLIAN & DAVID KANTOR WELCOME JOSEPH

Salt + Light producer Gillian Kantor and her husband David happily welcomed their first child, a son, Joseph William Gerald, on December 15, 2008. Born during Advent, Baby Joseph helped give renewed perspective to this season of waiting.

For both Christmas and having a baby there can be a lot of commotion – things to buy, to plan for, to prepare. But when you take all of that away, what is left is really what is most important – a baby; a child given to us not because of our own worth but because of God's immense goodness and love.



THE AUSTRALIAN CONNECTION JAMES & JOSHUA

This past December Salt + Light Television welcomed two new international interns to the team, continuing what has become a great Salt + Light tradition. In the past few years Salt + Light has welcomed interns from Italy, France, Spain, Germany, the United States, and now from Australia!

Both Joshua Lanzarini (right) and James Lucas (left) were recruited to join the Salt + Light team after Fr. Rosica witnessed them in action at World Youth Day 2008 in Sydney. Joshua has joined the Marketing team lending his graphic design talents to the fold as well as working to improve saltandlighttv.org. James joins the production side of the operation, assisting with filming and editing and you may even catch him hosting the daily update show *Zoom*.

Salt + Light is privileged to have these young men join the team, and know they will bring a little salt and light back home when they return "down under."



ON SALT + LIGHT BLOG

One of the most popular sections of our website is the **Salt + Light Blog**. This online journal provides the opportunity for Salt + Light staff, including CEO, Fr. Thomas Rosica, to reflect on projects, comment on different Church happenings and liturgical events, and highlight upcoming programming. We also love the fact that readers are able to share their thoughts and comment on blog entries. Visit our website often and read the daily entries. Here's a sample of an article that you might find:

NO GOD?!

By: David Naglieri

I was slightly annoyed but mostly humoured by the recent news that Toronto Buses will soon be promoting atheism. The silly campaign started in London, England and has spread throughout Europe. It involves city transit buses bearing the message: "There's probably no God. Now stop worrying and enjoy your life." I was humoured by the irony evident in the ads. It always seemed to me that atheists and agnostics do far more worrying than Christians. Faith provides answers while atheism fuels doubt and doubt makes people worry. Think of a young John Paul II serving faithfully as a priest in a Communist country, a Cardinal



van Thuan praying in a darkened cell, or a Mother Teresa caring for the poor on the streets of Calcutta. They all had plenty to "worry" about, but their faith inspired them to transform the uncertainties of their life into moments of spiritual and personal triumph. When I see that ad on my way to work I'll think of all these great role models of faith and perseverance and then...well, I just won't worry about it.

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BEHIND THE SCENES at Salt + Light



JAVIER CAPELLA

Technical Operations Manager

By: Gabriella Catolino

Javier, can you describe your job at Salt + Light Television?

As Technical Operations Manager, my primary job is to transmit our television programs in the clearest possible way to the widest possible audience with the technology available. I am always looking for ways to improve and stretch the capacity of our technology in order to increase the reach of our programs. I also direct and edit programs.

Where is Salt + Light in terms of its technology?

Salt + Light Television is a digital channel comparable to most other television stations, with about the same level of equipment and technology. At Salt + Light we stretch technology to the maximum capacity. For example, we recently started receiving France's KTO programs via new technology. This unique way to receive a program feed is part of our ongoing learning process.

How long have you been part of Salt + Light and what brought you here?

I have been working for Salt + Light since the beginning. I received a request to join Salt + Light and I thought that my skills and spiritual beliefs and what S+L had to offer were a good match.

How would you characterise your five years here?

I would describe my time here as a teaching and learning process. The staff members at Salt + Light are open to sharing and developing new skills in order to produce quality programs. There are no boundaries in our jobs. We need to be multi-faceted and when necessary, we help each other out. As staff members we are given many challenges and great opportunities. Not only is Salt + Light a good environment for personal and spiritual growth but as a television station we have been able to thrive and grow by stretching our skills.

What is your hope for S + L in the next 5-10 years?

My vision for Salt + Light is that many more people will select us and that we can reach more and more people. My dream would be to feed our programs to people in other continents, like Australia, Africa, and Europe. I hope that in time all North American communities will be fully saturated with our programs.

What can you personally do as an employee of Salt + Light to promote your vision?

I will continue to create quality programs, and work step-by-step to move to high definition. I always promote Salt + Light and all we do to anyone who will listen. We have a great product and a message that people need to see and hear. †

OTHER PEOPLE WHO WORK BEHIND THE SCENES



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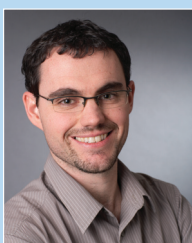
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REVIVING HUNGRY FOR THE SPIRIT

ROBERT GALEA

Our first, new HFTS event took place in our studio on January 16th. Maltese seminarian of WYD08 fame, Robert Galea, came from Australia to headline the evening, which began with Mass in our S+L Chapel.

Robert led the evening of prayer and reflection with songs from his latest album *What a Day*. The evening, co-sponsored by the Office of Catholic Youth of the Archdiocese of Toronto, *Faith Connections* (the young adult ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph) and *Civitas* (the Toronto ministry to young professionals), was also an opportunity for various groups to come together. Musicians Andy Carey and John Dawson played a few songs before accompanying Robert. Local Catholic musicians, Catherine Emes (violin), Francisco Mahecha (drums) and Mariano Rodriguez (bass), also helped out.

By: Pedro Guevara-Mann

Many of you are familiar with our monthly *Hungry for the Spirit* (HFTS) Coffeehouse nights at the Renaissance Café from years past. S+L is bringing them back, new and improved.

ANDREA REBELLO

The next HFTS event features soprano Andrea Rebello and artist Martin Rebello. On **April 3rd**, at the Cardinal Flahiff Basilian Centre Chapel, they join together to present a fusion of art and music, embodying many people, beliefs and mysteries of our Faith. The exhibit and performance offer an opportunity for reflection and prayer through fine arts.

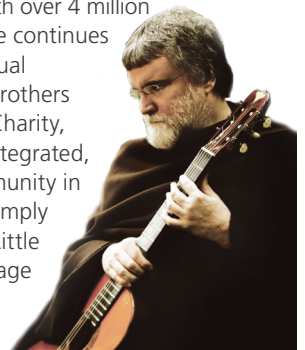


The event is open to the public on the occasion of the fourth anniversary of the death of the Servant of God, Pope John Paul II. Space is limited, so call early!

For more information about upcoming Salt + Light events please visit our website: saltandlighttv.org/events.html

JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT

S+L will welcome John Michael Talbot to lead an evening of music and reflection at St. Paul's Basilica on **April 29th**. John Michael Talbot is a top-selling Catholic artist in the world with over 4 million albums sold. He continues to be the Spiritual Father of The Brothers and Sisters of Charity, the first fully-integrated, monastic community in the US, living simply as a hermit at Little Portion Hermitage in Arkansas.



ROBERT GALEA RESPONDING TO GOD'S CALL

By: Joshua Lanzarini

When did you hear God's call?

For me, God's call began as a desire to serve and developed through many life circumstances that were pointing me towards priesthood.

What was the turning point in your life?

When I was 16, after a rebellious time in my life, I reached a point where I had nowhere else to turn. I went to a prayer meeting and discovered a friend who was God. I discovered that God was near and that He was a personal God. I realized that not only does He love me, but He also likes me.

How do you make God part of your daily life?

I pray without ceasing. I am aware that God is next to me every moment and nothing will separate Him from me. I am the only one who can separate myself from God. I am

comforted knowing that God has accepted me and is part of my life. I pray in every situation.

Australia is described by some as a spiritually dry country. Why did you choose Australia for your education?

I chose Australia because although it is thriving financially, it is spiritually poor. People are desperate for a positive message; it is a land of opportunity for the Gospel. I want to respond to God's desire for us to be fishers of men and not just keepers of the aquarium, and I am excited about the opportunity to talk about Jesus.

How do you tell people that God loves them?

We can reach people through the words in the Gospels. Music is also a very powerful tool. It speaks the language of people's hearts, and by touching the heart we are able to sow the seed of God's love.

Will you continue to use your music as a way of evangelizing?

God has given me a gift and who am I to refuse to serve God through that gift? As long as I have the talent to write and to sing,



I will continue using this talent to give Glory to God.

Have you ever doubted your ability to fulfill your commitment?

Wherever God sends us, He will provide us with the strength, courage and ability to fulfill what He has commissioned us to do. We should go forward with boldness and a sense of authority. When I entered the seminary I was afraid of closing options that were open to me, but the minute I made the commitment, I found freedom. ✝

Robert Galea's albums, *Closer* and *What a Day* are on sale now. To purchase your copy visit saltandlighttv.org.

SALT + LIGHT TV SCHEDULE 2009

Beginning in May, watch for a special program from Lourdes, 10:30am ET daily

PRIME TIME

Time - ET	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Time - PT
6:00 AM	Biblical Rosary	The Rosary in the Holy Land	The Rosary in the Holy Land	Biblical Rosary	The Rosary in the Holy Land	Biblical Rosary	The Rosary in the Holy Land	3:00 AM
6:30 AM	Chapelet biblique	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	Chapelet biblique	Chapelet biblique	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	3:30 AM
7:00 AM	Témoir or Les compléments du Verbe	Focus catholique	Zoom / Aide à l'Église en détresse	Zoom / Lumière du monde	Zoom / Mille questions à la foi	Zoom / Audience générale	Zoom / Focus catholique	4:00 AM
7:30 AM	Catholic Focus	Catholic Focus	Zoom / Focus catholique	Zoom / Catholic Focus	Zoom / Catholic Focus	Zoom / Catholic Focus	Zoom / Catholic Focus	4:30 AM
8:00 AM	The Choices We Face	Food for Life	The Choices We Face	Food for Life	The Choices We Face	Food for Life	The Choices We Face	5:00 AM
8:30 AM	The Rosary in the Holy Land	The Rosary in the Holy Land	The Rosary in the Holy Land	The Rosary in the Holy Land	The Rosary in the Holy Land	Biblical Rosary	The Rosary in the Holy Land	5:30 AM
9:00 AM	Children's Programming	Where God Weeps	Missing Churches in China	Where God Weeps	In Conversazione	Woman at the Heart of the Church	WOW	6:00 AM
9:30 AM	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	Le Chapelet en Terre sainte	6:30 AM
10:00 AM	Santo Rosario Biblico	Experiencing Paul, Experiencing God	Saints Gallery	Wings	Santo Rosario Biblico	Wings	Cherub Wings	7:00 AM
10:30 AM	Vatican Events	The Future Depends on Love		Woman at the Heart of the Church	Experiencing Paul, Experiencing God	The Choices We Face	Miss Charity's Diner	7:30 AM
11:00 AM		Daily Mass		Daily Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	8:00 AM
11:30 AM		Aid to the Church in Need Presents	The Choices We Face	Perpetual Help Devotions	Christopher Closeup	Perpetual Help Devotions	Woman at the Heart of the Church	8:30 AM
12:00 PM	Papal Angelus	Angelus / Catholic Focus	Angelus / Focus catholique	Angelus / Catholic Focus	Angelus / Focus catholique	Angelus / Catholic Focus	Angelus / Catholic Focus	9:00 AM
12:30 PM	Sunday Mass	Eye on the Church	Témoir or Les compléments du Verbe	The Future Depends on Love	Lectio Divina, Documentary or Movie	Witness	Aid to the Church in Need	9:30 AM
1:00 PM	Perpetual Help Devotions	Witness	Lumière du monde	This is the Day		Facing Life Head-On	The Future Depends on Love	10:00 AM
1:30 PM	Facing Life Head-On	Lectio Divina, Documentary or Movie	KTO Magazine	Woman at the Heart of the Church	Listen Up	Saints Gallery	This is the Day	10:30 AM
2:00 PM	Openings or Nothing More Beautiful			The Rosary in the Holy Land	Missing Churches in China		Lectio Divina, Documentary or Movie	11:00 AM
2:30 PM		Listen Up	Aide à l'Église en Détresse	Experiencing Paul, Experiencing God	Motheing, Full of Grace	Missing Churches in China		11:30 AM
3:00 PM	Sunday Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	12:00 PM
3:30 PM (1.5 h)	Vatican Events	Vatican Events	Vatican Events	Udienza Generale	Vatican Concert	Vatican Events	Vatican Events	12:30 PM (1.5 h)
5:00 PM	Christopher Closeup	Vêpres à Notre-Dame de Paris	Vêpres à Notre-Dame de Paris	Vêpres à Notre-Dame de Paris	Vêpres à Notre-Dame de Paris	Vêpres à Notre-Dame de Paris	WOW	2:00 PM
5:30 PM	Experiencing Paul, Experiencing God	Experiencing Paul, Experiencing God	The World I Know	Témoir or Les compléments du Verbe	The Choices We Face	The World I Know	The Choices We Face	2:30 PM
6:00 PM	Papal Angelus	Missing Churches in China	Listen Up	Where God Weeps	Rosary in the Holy Land	Woman at the Heart of the Church	TBD	3:00 PM
6:30 PM	Listen Up	In Conversazione (English Subtitles)	In Conversazione (English Subtitles)	In Conversazione (English Subtitles)	In Conversazione (English Subtitles)	In Conversazione (English Subtitles)	Missing Churches in China	3:30 PM
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8:00 PM	Eye on the Church	Témoir or Les compléments du Verbe	Openings or Concert	Lectio Divina, Documentary or Movie	Witness	Aid to the Church in Need Presents	KTO Magazine	5:00 PM
8:30 PM	Witness	Lumière du monde			Facing Life Head-On	TBD		5:30 PM
9:00 PM	Lectio Divina, Documentary or Movie	KTO Magazine	Rosary Stars	Rosary Stars	Rosary Stars	Rosary Stars	Rosary Stars	6:00 PM
9:30 PM			This is the Day	Listen Up	General Audience	This is the Day	Openings or Nothing More Beautiful	6:30 PM
10:00 PM	Listen Up	Chapelet en Terre Sante	Experiencing Paul, Experiencing God	Missing Churches in China	Eye on the Church	Christopher Closeup		7:00 PM
10:30 PM	Sunday Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	Daily Mass	7:30 PM
11:00 PM	REPEAT OF PRIME TIME							8:00 PM

LEGEND:

English

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Italian

Chinese

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WHY LAMPSTAND?

Just as a lampstand elevates the source of light and lends brightness to the world around us, Salt + Light Television aims to enlighten viewers and draw them closer to the Church. With information on our great Catholic programs, the tremendous people who make up the Salt + Light team, and exciting projects and developments, *lampstand* will shed light on the many facets and faces of Salt + Light Television.

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Your generous donations are helping to ensure we can continue to provide quality Catholic programs to our viewers in Canada, the US, and around the world. Help Salt + Light to build a strong faith community one household at a time.

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GREAT RESPONSE TO A SPECIAL APPEAL THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Salt + Light Television is planning to create a new Religious Life Series for our French-speaking audience. The goal of the project is to present various facets of religious life in a way that promotes this as a viable vocation choice. The series will be part of the French programs being offered on Salt + Light Television.

Salt + Light appealed to all the French-speaking religious communities in Canada to collectively fund the project and the response has been phenomenal.

To those who have supported this initiative our heartfelt thanks is extended to you. For those who have not yet responded, we hope you will consider this important project with your financial gift. We recognize that not all communities have the means to support such an initiative, and we thank you for your prayers.



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