

## ***THE FATHER'S VINEYARD***

**A Quarterly Newsletter from  
My Father's House**

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**JOHN MICHAEL TALBOT HERE...He  
will be back!**



On April 26<sup>th</sup> the theater was full for the concert. John Michael Talbot was deeply touched by the enthusiastic response of the people at MFH that he stated he will come

back on his next tour to the East Coast. We will inform you as to the future details. Despite the short notice the response was overwhelming. Those who were here will remember “*A man sent by God whose name was John.*”

### **FOUR FAMOUS EVANGELISTS ARE COMING....**

*June 26-28* – Fr. Melvin Doucette, healing priest, author and visionary will be here.

*August 1<sup>st</sup>* – Fr. Pat, healing evangelist, composer and recording artist to give a seminar, concert and say Mass at our new Chapel of the Pines.

*August 28-29* – Fr. Mitch Pacwa, “*Jesus His Church and His Ministry,*” a weekend Retreat. Register early!

*September 13<sup>th</sup>* – A Day with Fr. Benedict Groeschel (9:00 a.m. to 3:00).

**DIRECTION FOR OUR TIMES** – At the Holy Spirit Breakfast each Thursday we will be studying Heaven’s messages given to Anne, the Lay Apostle. Come and join us and get equipped!

**LEGION OF MARY....**Our Lady’s army. Every Thursday morning from 9

to 10, Our Lady of Cana Presidium of My Father’s House meets at St. John’s Chapel. Learn how to serve with and under the Banner of Our Lady. Please come to one of our meetings. The Legion is the strongest Marian Movement in the Church today.

### ***HUMBLE SERVANTS***

Each one of the New Testament writers referred to themselves as humble servants. Jesus Himself came as a ‘Humble Servant’ and taught us that in His Kingdom there were only to be humble servants. Men and women who came to serve and not to be served who were willing to lay aside their plans to do the Will of the Father, to be a man and woman for others. Every time we receive the Eucharist we receive the Christ who is The Humble Servant, “The Man for others” exclaiming “*This is My life for you.*” The virtues He enjoins upon us are humility, prayerfulness, gentleness, kindness, zeal, self-sacrifice, forgiveness, mercy and above all love. We are to love one another as He has loved us. So let that mindset be in you which was also in Christ Jesus; that even though He was God, He did not see Divinity as something to be clung to, but rather He emptied Himself and took the form of a servant who went to the Cross for you and for me. The backbone of our faith are our wonderful humble servants, and the shepherds of the faithful are our priests. **The Year of the Priest** – Pope Benedict has declared 2009-2010 to be the Year of the Priest. St. John Vianey to whom this year is especially dedicated died in 1859. Fr. Bill, our priest, was ordained in 1959 – 50 years ago this year. We are planning on a very special celebration of his 50 years of service to God in December. More news on this will follow.

### **MORE TO COME AT MFH....**

**New Book** – Fr. Bill has published a new revised Book “*The Joy and Splendor of Being Catholic.*” It replaces the former book “Joy of Being Catholic.” Not only is it excellent, wholesome reading, but also will serve as a good tool for both evangelization and apologetics. It is available only here at MFH. Please call and reserve copies.

**In His Name** – Fr. Bill’s TV program “*In His Name*” is now available on over 30 cable channels throughout Connecticut on a weekly basis. If you would like it on your cable and would like to be one of its sponsors, please call MFH and volunteer. It will not cost you anything and you will only sponsor the program. DVD’s are sent directly from MFH to the studio. Contact Chuck Waggoner at (860) 345-0648 or (860) 873-1906.

**Monthly Healing Masses** – We will be continuing with our monthly healing Masses at MFH, usually the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month. We start at 6:30 p.m. with a Talk on Healing, Penance Service and prayers with our Inner Healing Team, followed by Mass and prayovers. Please come and bring a friend or two....Many blessings have and will continue to occur.

**Youth Retreat** – On Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup> Marty Rotella kicked off our Youth Retreats. There were over 60 young adults here who were finding out more about their faith and meeting the Holy Spirit. It was a truly blessed event and we hope to have many more....If you know of a youth group or are involved with one, please contact us to host your youth event. Contact Joanie at (860) 873-1906.

**New web address** – We have changed our website email address to “Joanie” at [jz1mfh@gmail.com](mailto:jz1mfh@gmail.com) to be of better service to you. In our future mailings you will see this new address.

**Pilgrimages** – We are praying about and taking preliminary steps to plan 2 pilgrimages in this year; one to Ireland to visit the Shrines and to meet Anne, the Lay Apostle; and the other to Rome. Please check our website for upcoming details. If

you are interested in any of these trips, contact Mary Alice at (860) 873-8767 or email at [marmfh@gmail.com](mailto:marmfh@gmail.com).

**Summer Family Reunions** - MFH is an ideal place to host your family reunion. Won’t you consider having your family get together here. Call Joanie (860) 873-1906.  
**Renovations** – We want to take this opportunity to thank the many people who stepped out in faith and helped renovate our bungalows, both with time, talent and treasure. It was a tremendous success. We’re now asking for you to pray and ask God to help us refurbish and update My Father’s House. Our main house is a cozy and conducive place for prayer, meeting place and rest. Contact us to help.

### **A NATION UNDER GOD**

God blessed America because we were a Republic under God and as a people we held these truths to be self-evident that all men and women, born and unborn, were endowed by our Creator with certain inalienable rights, first and foremost the right to life. We believe in the natural law and marriage as a union of a man and a woman. We believe in decency in the public forum, truthfulness in the media and the religious education of our young. We fought against communism, nazism, facism and secular humanism. We follow the Judeo-Christian morality in every aspect of our lives. As a people we pray, attend Church and work hand in hand with one another regardless of race or ethnic origin. We are the land of the free and the home of the brave and we publicly sing “God Bless America, land that I love. Stand beside her and guide her through the night with a light from above.” As Lincoln said, “Blessed only are those nations whose God is the Lord.”

**PLEASE REMEMBER US WITH  
YOUR GENEROSITY.**

