



FOR JUNE 2006

# COMUNIDAD

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

## Mark Your

**Future First Tuesday Meetings,** at 7:00pm in St. Matthew's Parish Hall: Aug 1, Sept 5, Oct 3, Nov 7, and Dec 5.

June 9-11, Weekend  
Christopher Street West  
Stop by the MLGC booth for the Archdiocese of Los Angeles or march with the MLGC contingent in the parade.

### No Meeting on Tues, July 4th

Aug 1, Tuesday  
Jen O'Malley, who has a Masters in Pastoral Ministry/Theology will be speaking on Catholic Social Teaching.

Aug 5, Saturday  
Ecumenical BBQ 11:00am - 3:00pm in Huntington Beach. Watch this newsletter for more details.

Sept 5, Tuesday  
To Be Announced

Oct 3, Tuesday  
Our NACDLGM (National Association of Catholic Diocesan Lesbian and Gay Ministries) delegate will report on the annual conference.

Nov 7, Tuesday  
We will have a prayer service in remembrance of our loved ones who have died. In addition we will hold our annual elections.

Dec 5, Tuesday  
We will celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe followed by a fiesta in her honor.

You can email us at [comunidad@123mail.org](mailto:comunidad@123mail.org)

**Our Next Meeting: Tuesday, June 6, 2006**  
**St. Matthew's Parish Hall, 672 Temple Avenue (at 7<sup>th</sup> Street)**  
Social starts at 7:00pm, Program at 7:30pm

### WHAT THE BIBLE TEACHES ABOUT HOMOSEXUALITY

**Tuesday, June 6,** Dr. Jeffrey S. Siker, Professor & Chair of the Department of Theological Studies at Loyola Marymount University will speak on the subject: "What the Bible Teaches about Homosexuality." The evening's presentation should prove to be educational and thought provoking. **Please bring a Bible.**

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### **Long Beach AIDS Walk**

Saturday, June 24, 2006 is the Annual **AIDS Walk Long Beach.** Please join us in walking or make a donation after Mass the first three Sundays in June. For more information on the AIDS Walk visit: [www.aidswalklb.org](http://www.aidswalklb.org). For those who like to do things electronically, there is online sign-up for walkers and donors. Please use the following link: <http://awlb.kintera.org/faf/r.asp?t=12&i=155772&q=1308007>.

### BEACH MASS & BBQ

#### **Sunday, July 16 at 12:30pm**

Join us for Mass on the Beach followed by a BBQ. We will have a tent close to the water for Mass and hold the BBQ at Viki and Anna's home. We will gather at 5231 E. Ocean Blvd. by 12:15pm. Meat for the BBQ will be provided, so please bring a potluck side dish or dessert item to share. Join us by the water for an afternoon of prayer and fellowship. For more info call Anna 562 987-0130.

### COMUNIDAD ANNUAL RETREAT

#### *Set Your Heart On Jesus*

**When:** Friday, September 29, 7:00pm through Sunday, October 1, 12:00 noon.

**Where:** The Mary and Joseph Retreat Center, Rancho Palos Verdes

Our Retreat Director is **Fr. Jack Stoeger** who is a regular celebrant at St. Matthew's and an excellent homilist.

**The rooms are full, so we have started a waiting list. Please contact us if you still wish to attend.**

**Cost:** \$165 double occupancy  
\$200 single occupancy  
\$100 deposit

For more info call Anna 562 987-0130.

*Mary, Mother of Hope,  
Accompany us on our journey. Teach us to proclaim the living God; help us to bear witness to Jesus, our Savior; make us kindly towards our neighbors, welcoming to the needy, concerned for justice, impassioned builders of a more just world; intercede for us as we carry out our work in history, certain that God's Will be fulfilled.  
Amen.*

**For more info about Comunidad call Anna at 562 987-0130 or Tony at 562 439-0531.**