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March Speaker – Kara Klein



Profiled by Tom Lang

Kara is a prolific, award-winning Catholic songwriter. Kara's music has a unique blend of inspiring lyrics with an angelic and soulful sound that touches the heart.

One of Kara's many original songs, Beautiful Still, dedicated to Terri Schiavo, won the Unity Award for Best DVD/Video of the Year in 2005. The title song from Kara's second original album, "I Am Home," which was dedicated to Katrina victims, won Best Pop/Contemporary Song of the Year with the video version winning Best Video/DVD of the Year in 2007. Kara has appeared on EWTN's "Life on the Rock," "Backstage," and "Knights of St Michael" TV series. She was also a featured artist at World Youth Day in Cologne, Germany.

Kara was born on Christmas Eve, 1985, in New Orleans and began writing songs when she was eight, and that interest was directed to Christian music when she won a contest to write and perform the theme song for the Abbey Youth Festival in Covington, Louisiana at age 13. After graduating with high honors in 2004 from St. Scholastica Academy, she received her Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Western Governor's University.

Kara is on a mission to help others rediscover the joy of living life in Christ and that life is truly worth living.

Her message combines her passionate faith in God with the challenge to surrender ever more deeply to Him, to rely radically on His Divine Providence, and to trust unwaveringly in His perfect plan.

What's Inside?

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Speaker Recap

By Pauline Smoke

Kevin Reilly brought tears to many eyes at the Catholic Business and Professional Club's February breakfast. How? By tying his necktie.

This routine part of dressing has challenged Reilly since he lost his left arm, shoulder, and five ribs to cancer in 1979. At the time he was a 25-year-old husband, father of three, and special teams captain for the Philadelphia Eagles. After his surgery, a hospital volunteer, whose left arm was amputated in World War II, tried to prepare Reilly for life with his handicap by focusing on all that he wouldn't be able to do again: tie a tie, play golf, jog, and many other common activities. Fortunately, a call from Rocky Bleier transformed Reilly's self-doubt and self-pity into a drive to succeed.

After his rookie season with the Pittsburgh Steelers in 1968, Bleier was drafted and sustained a severe leg injury while serving in Vietnam. Refusing to allow doctors to fuse his knee, he focused on rehabilitation, and now has four Super Bowl rings. He offered Reilly two bits of advice. First: "Don't listen to experts. Experts built the Titanic and amateurs built the Ark. Experts can be wrong." Second: "Never quit something without trying it three times."

Reilly, currently a broadcaster on the Eagles' radio network, now runs marathons and golfs at a level that most people only dream about. He's proof of the Walter D. Wintle poem he recites daily, ". . . the man who wins is the man who thinks he can."

Business Person of the Month

Keith Ginsburg



I graduated from Bullard High in 1963 then joined the Army after high school and graduated from Fresno State in 1973. I have two wonderful boys. I worked for PG&E for 23 years and had to leave because of back problems. I started my own computer consulting business in 1993: Computer Training Just for You. In 2011, I found two technicians I could trust and joined with their company, DXY Network Solutions; we do networking and repair computers. I surrendered my life to Christ at a Billy Graham Crusade in August of

1962, and remained a Protestant until two years ago when I became interested in Catholic theology and began singing in the St. Therese Choir. What caught my interest in the Catholic Church were the saints, the miracles, and the love and mysteries that I found in the Catholic religion. I have attended RCIA classes and will receive First Communion and be confirmed on the day before Easter this year.

Prayer Research and Submission

By Mary Borges, Co-Founder CP&BC

Prayer to Saint John of God for Printers and Publishers

Feast Day: March 8



Dear Saint John, when you realized your sins had hurt God and others, you repented of them. You changed your life and set a new path for yourself. Through your many loving deeds, you revealed God's compassion and drew countless people to Him. Dear God, through the prayers of Saint John, bless all who work in printing and publishing. Help them to share Your love with others and to help people live good lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Saint John of God, pray for us.

Upcoming Events

Breakfast Meetings

- April 10th
- May 8th
- June 12th

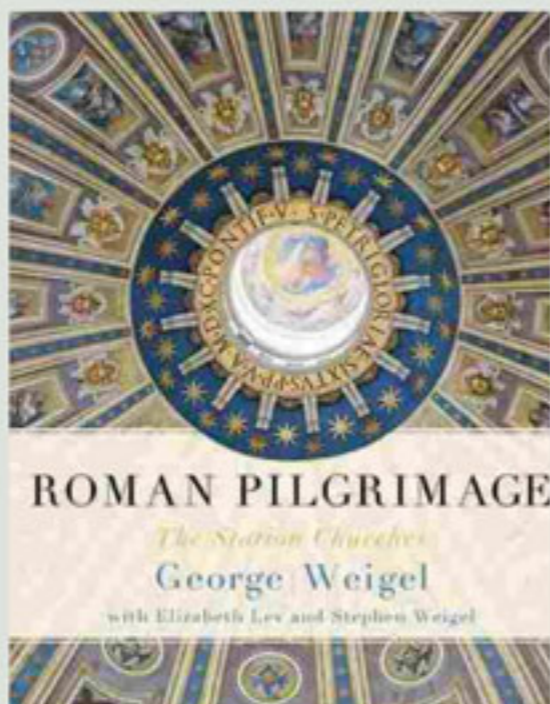
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Book Review

By John Kasaian

Roman Pilgrimage: The Station Churches
by George Weigel with Elizabeth Lev and Stephen Weigel
409 pages, hardbound
Basic Books, New York
2013



Attending morning Mass at the Station Churches is a near 2,000 year old Roman tradition during Lent, which fell into disuse after the Papal residence was moved to Avignon in 1305, but was revived after the 1929 Lateran Treaty, again during World War II, and again on Ash Wednesday 1959 by Pope John XXIII, in an urban hike in the Roman pre-dawn to each of the distant Station Churches to attend the 7:00 a.m. Station Mass. Since the 1970's, orthodox Catholic seminarians from the North American College have been instrumental in popularizing the pilgrimage, and so it is to this day.

The pilgrimage is a walk as steeped in the history of the Church, Rome, art and architecture as it is in the Lenten journey and the renewal of baptism.

With the cost of a single night's stay in Rome being what it is, much less the cost of forty plus such nights, this book is as close as most of us will ever come to experiencing the pilgrimage to the Station Churches. (That is why there are lottery tickets, eh?)

The excellent narrative by George Weigel and wonderful tour of the art by Elizabeth Lev, as well as photographs by Stephen Weigel make for a wonderful Lenten pilgrimage you can make without leaving your favorite chair.

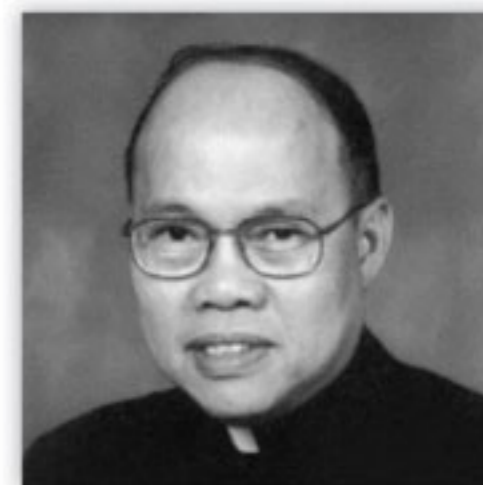
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Pastor/Parish Profile

Fr. Alex C. Ignacio

Profiled By Don Cardell

After serving in different parishes in the diocese for twenty years, Fr. Alex C. Ignacio returned to Sacred Heart Church, Fresno on January 8, 2007. His first assignment was at Sacred Heart in 1982 as parochial vicar. In 1987 he was transferred to the Catholic Churches of Merced, and in 1989 was assigned to Sacred Heart, Planada. From 1993 through 2007 he ministered at Sacred Heart, Lindsay. All of Fr. Alex's assignments in the diocese have been at Sacred Heart parishes.



Fr. Alex was ordained a Dominican priest on September 3, 1974. He was attending the College of Architecture at the Catholic University of the Philippines also known as University of Santo Tomas, when he decided to enter the Philippine Province of the Dominican Order. The Maryknoll Sisters from New York, Father's high school teachers, were influential in his decision to enter the seminary and the Dominican Order in particular. He graduated from Santo Tomas earning Liberal Arts, Bachelor of Philosophy and Licentiate in Theology degrees.

After his ordination, Father was appointed treasurer of Letran College in Manila. He taught theology at Letran where he also put into use his knowledge of architecture in designing the lay brothers' chapel, lecture halls, audiovisual lab, department offices, and stages for plays and various presentations. He was a photographer for the Letran and other Manila publications. He served as Director of Formation of the Dominican Lay Brothers. Later on he was appointed Vice-Regent of the Dominican House of Studies where he taught philosophy, natural science and economics.

In 1978 Fr. Alex came to Fresno to enroll in the Master's Program in the Mass Communications Department at Fresno State with a Radio-TV major. He started working full-time for the Diocese of Fresno in September 1982.

Mass Schedule: Saturday 4:00 p.m.; Sunday 7:00 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. (Children's and Youth and Life Team Mass), 1:00 p.m. Charismatic Mass, 5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass

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Reservations: Reservations are required for all breakfast meetings, held at Pardini's, and can be made by calling Denise Correia at [559.434.2722](tel:559.434.2722) or by visiting www.cpbcfresno.org then click on the reservation link. Doors open at 7 a.m. for coffee and networking. The program starts at 7:20 a.m. and concludes at 8:30 a.m. The cost for each breakfast is \$15 for members and \$20 for guests.

Membership Directory: The deadline for advertising in the 2014-15 Directory has passed but it's never too late to start thinking about next year. Ad space starts at only \$50. Contact Denise Correia at directory@cpbcfresno.org for more information. The 2014-15 edition will be coming soon!

Prayer Network: CP&BC has a "prayer network" to be used for member prayer needs for themselves or loved ones. We have members already signed-up to pray for special needs submitted; however, anyone else is invited to also become part of the prayer network. Sally Lauritzen is the point person to whom requests can be made, and once they are received she will email or phone the network. Contact Sally (salauritz@att.net or [559.439.8378](tel:559.439.8378)) to become part of the network or to submit a prayer request.

Website: Please be sure to visit www.cpbcfresno.org for all the latest information about our club. CP&BC thanks Rod Silver of ARTCO for the design and maintenance of the website.

Mission Statement:

As Catholic professional and business men and women, we are called to live our Christian ethics not only on Sundays, but throughout our daily lives at home and at work.

Our goal in the Catholic Professional & Business Club shall be to incorporate and uphold our beliefs in every aspect of our daily lives, and to gather to share with others who seek a more ethical business environment.

Each of us shall strive to achieve a commingling of our ethical obligations and our professional obligations in demonstration of the fact that ethics and business need not be mutually exclusive terms.

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