



Walnut Grove Cultural Center

Striving for personal excellence in the service of others



“Add a supernatural motive to your ordinary professional work and you will have sanctified it.”



St Josemaria Escriva, Founder of Opus

CALENDAR SUMMARY:

- **Lecture Series**
Ten Commandments:
10:00 to 11:00 am
Theology Seminars–
What Catholics Believe:
11:15 am – 12:15 pm.
Meets every 1st Saturday
of the month: **July–Aug–**
Sept: no class; Resume
classes on Oct 4, Nov 1,
Dec 6.
- **Evenings & Days of**
Recollection for women
at Walnut Grove **every 4th**
Mondays at 6:15 – 9:00
pm and 4th Tuesdays at
9:30 am – 12:30 pm.
- **Women’s Retreat:**
Oct 24–26, Nov 7–9 @
Holiday Inn, La Mirada.
To reserve, email Naida:
ramzen@aol.com
- **Living Essentials, a**
three-part seminar:
Part three --The
Welcoming Home:
Entertaining, on
November 8, 2014,
10am–3:15pm
Cost: \$25 per seminar.
To register, download
form
www.walnutgrovecenter.org
- **Stepping UP Mentoring**
Program for High School
Girls. Stay tuned, check WG
website for any update in
August re Fall Schedule.
- **Grandparents Day on**
Oct 18th at Walnut Grove

Dear Friends,

Happy Summer!

It was so good to see so many of you at the Mass of St. Josemaria in Los Angeles! Through his inspiration, since our last newsletter Walnut Grove has been very busy educating and forming women and girls. In April we had the 2nd Part of our Living Essentials Series: A Bright and Peaceful Home. It was an all-day workshop, with a great turn-out, and lots of interesting tips and tricks. Who knew learning how to clean our homes could be so much fun?! In May, Stepping Up, our High School leadership program wrapped up its 2013-14 session. We continued our Faith & Reason Lecture Series on The Ten Commandments and What Catholics Believe. We also hosted a new Girls Club for 5-7 year olds, The Little Flowers. They learned about cheerfulness and made Father's Day Cards.

Please continue to pray for the fruits of all of these efforts!

Thank you for your continued support of our Bookstore. We are in the process of placing an order so that new titles will be available by the start of the school year. If you have any special requests, please email our bookstore manager: Kathryn Carey kathryncarey@rocketmail.com. Also, if anyone is interested in selling copies of the writings of St. Josemaria at your parish, please let us know. We are very excited about spreading good reading material to many more people.

Lastly, please take a look at the information for the Fashion E-Camp, and also note the date for our annual Grandmother's Day event sponsored by our Girls Clubs is Saturday October 18th. Please start spreading the word, and we look forward to seeing you there! ~~~Lauren

Fashion E-Camp, a new webinar coming soon to Walnut Grove!

Are you a teenager looking to pump up your style? Do you want to learn what colors look best on your skin tone? Looking to freshen up your hair and makeup routine?

Then the **Lotus Fashion E-Camp** is just for you!

Hosted by fashion blogger, *Jocelyn Quarles* of the **Lotus Trail**, you will discover your fashion personality through four (4) fun and interactive webinars. Learn how to go back to school in the style that fits YOU! Live webinars will run at 5pm on **July 23, July 30, August 6, and August 13 at 5pm**. Cost is \$95. More info and registration can be found online at www.thelotustrail.com. Hurry, space is limited!

Family Enrichment LA offers Pre-Adolescent course this Fall

Family Enrichment (FE) is an educational program designed to strengthen the family and to support husband and wife in the atmosphere of friendship. FE helps couples enhance their communications skills, have more fulfilling marriages and helps couples find effective ways of raising their children to become capable flourishing adults.

*This Fall Family Enrichment will begin its 2014 program by offering a Pre-Adolescent course called **First Decisions**. This 7-month course is designed for parents with children ages 7-10 and will help parents educate their children on virtues and moral values and principles to guide their child's early decisions. The **First Decisions** course will run the 3rd Saturday/Sunday from September to April 2015. Demonstration and informational meetings are being organized throughout Los Angeles and Orange counties. To learn more about Family Enrichment or to find out where you can attend a demonstration, please call Nora Urrea at [626-475-3891](tel:626-475-3891).*

Yard Sale Report

Our yard sale held May 3rd was a big success, and a lot of fun! Due to this “success”, we took a bold step to have another yard sale the following Saturday, May 10th, because we had a lot of leftover stuff and extremely motivated volunteers! We raised \$1,577.25 to benefit Walnut Grove’s maintenance fund. A big THANK YOU to all!! ~~~Lydia & Erin

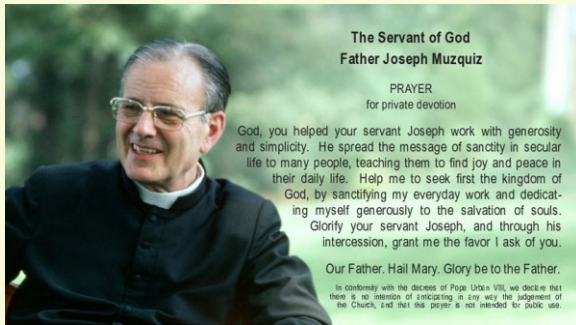
a selfie of the volunteers



OPUS DEI AROUND THE WORLD

News and Updates

Fr Joseph Muzquiz's Cause Advances



On May 22, Cardinal Sean O'Malley of Boston closed the Diocesan phase of the Process of Canonization for Fr Joseph. He was one of the first 3 ordained priests of Opus Dei. He was sent here to the United States by the founder of Opus Dei to begin the apostolic work of Opus Dei. All that he had with him to begin Opus Dei here in the US was a plane ticket and a picture of Our Lady. With dogged, cheerful determination, he was able to spread the spirit of Opus Dei. Very humble and completely unaffected, he made friends easily, and things began to grow. The first center was in Chicago--the birthplace of Opus Dei in the US. Thank you, Fr. Joseph!!!

2014 Annual Feast Day Mass of St Josemaria Escriva

was held on **June 21**, at **St. Basil Church**
in Los Angeles. Main celebrant was
Archbishop Jose Gomez.



Archbishop Gomez blesses the relic of St Josemaria.
In his homily, he said that "God matters and that **we**
matter to God."



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Part II

In April Walnut Grove Cultural Center presented our second **Living Essentials Workshop: A Bright and Peaceful Home**. The day was filled with practical tips and suggestions of how to create a pleasant household environment through the acts of service that take place in the home to care for others in daily household chores, sewing, and financial budgeting.

Dora Oliaz gave an engaging and practical talk on the importance of caring for the home and ideas of chore distribution among family members of all ages.

Aida Domingo enlightened us with many tips and tricks for all things related to laundry. She also demonstrated an amazing way to fold fitted sheets to look neat and tidy!

Lucia Reyes shared her expertise in household cleaning, and we learned the many ways we can utilize vinegar to clean our homes. Lucia also taught a hands-on class on basic sewing techniques of hand stitches for mending and sewing buttons.

We concluded our workshop with an informative talk by **Rebecca Chan** on creating a household budget through setting goals, knowing your net income, and tracking your spending.

It was a wonderful workshop filled with much joy and excitement to learn so many meaningful ways to make our homes bright and peaceful!

~Christina Corrales