

Be doers of the word and not hearers only. - James 1:22

SAVE THE DATE!

We hope you'll join us for our 75th Anniversary Celebration in August of 2024. All are invited so start planning now! Bring your groups! Bring the kids! Bring people who can benefit from the faith, fellowship and fun that CFM brings. There will be time for sharing memories & forging new ideas to bring the blessings of CFM to more people.



CHEERS TO 75 YEARS OF CFM!

We invite you to gather old photos and mementos to share with us for our video and print materials as well as sharing at the event itself with your fellow CFMers. Spread the word! We hope and pray that you will come celebrate with us! For more information, please visit cfm .org.

CFM COMMUNITY IN THE SPOTLIGHT:

St. Lawrence Martyr Church, Redondo Beach, CA 2021-22 Highlights





October 3, 2021

SLM-CFM Mexican Fiesta Kick-Off Event

El Retiro Park in Redondo Beach, CA



















Available Now! CFM Program Guide 2022

Start planning for the fall!

As mentioned in last month's ACT Newsletter, our new book is available now as a benefit of new or renewed membership!

Here is another Sneak Peak in this program guide.



"So it was that the Family of Nazareth became the first model of the Church in which, around the presence of Jesus and through his mediation, everyone experiences the filial relationship with God the Father which also transforms interpersonal, human relationships"

- Pope Benedict XVI

"The Holy Family is the icon of the domestic Church, called to pray together. The family is the domestic Church and must be the first school of prayer." – **Pope Benedict XVI**



In Appreciation





John & Mary Poprac Steve & Donna McCullough

The CFM national board bids adieu to Steve and Donna McCullough of Omaha, Nebraska and John and Mary Poprac of Torrance, CA. Both couples retired from the board May 31 of this year. The movement has been greatly blessed by their many contributions and dedication during their tenures. The members of the board will truly miss their smiling faces and willing hearts. May God bless both couples in the new adventures that God has for them. We are grateful that they are planning to continue to be active in their local CFM sections. May God richly reward them for all the good they have done!



Marriage Moments and Parenting Pointers by Susan Vogt

July 4: What does Independ-

ence Day look like in marriage? Does it mean being free to do whatever you want? Of course not. Perhaps it's closer to being "interdependent" - knowing your strengths and weaknesses and helping each other out.

"One's life does not consist of possessions." (Luke12:15) Try telling that to your child! Children might have snatches of time when they recognize the value of parental love and commitment, but they still like toys. Challenge your family to a day without toys or tech stuff and create your own fun. Can you do it?

For more ideas and tools for becoming better marriage partners and parents, please visit www.SusanVogt.net.

Getting to Know You: Brian and Mary Ann Thelen CFM National Board Presidents



"We've been married for 45 years & live in Ann Arbor, Michigan. We have 5 children, three who are married and two in religious life. The children live in Spain, California, Pennsylvania and two in Michigan. We have 13 grandchildren aged nine and under. We joined the Christian Family Movement when our oldest was eight years old & our youngest wasn't born yet (over 30 years ago). We joined the board in 2008 & have served on the program committee, operations & structures, chair of the membership committee, Vice President couple for six years & have been serving as president couple since June 1, 2019. We've seen CFM as a great blessing to our family. As a couple we've grown in our relationship & been challenged to trust God in ways that we never would have otherwise. We found CFM to be a great way to minister together & help others find their vocation as a married couple. We love seeing what God has in mind for the world through CFM & we desire to be His hands, feet & heart to help carry that out.