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For the 2007-2008 Season!

# Saint Lawrence Martyr Parish's *Christian Family Movement*



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Difference  
-  
One Family  
At a Time

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**REGISTRATION for the 2007-2008 Year:**

The formal CFM season at STL M runs from September through June.  
The season begins on Saturday evening, September 22nd, 6:00 p.m. at our "Casino Royale 2007" Kickoff in the STL M Hall.  
You do not have to attend the kickoff to be in a group. We will contact you after the event with your group information.  
New members: Sign up after morning Masses on Sundays, September 9th & 16th, or send in the registration form attached.

PLEASE complete the information on the Registration Form below entirely! Please print clearly.

Return the form with your check, made out to: "STLM CFM", by Sept. 16, 2007. Earlier returns appreciated!

**Send to:** CFM, c/o Denise Geltz  
22317 Ellinwood Drive  
Torrance, CA 90505

**If you have any questions or concerns, call the Section Leaders: Denise & Ron Geltz at 310-375-7931 or Mary & John Poprae at 310-375-9242.**

Membership Benefits Include: Participation in the total CFM experience; a one year subscription to ACT, the CFM national publication, current program book, and service and assistance from Federation, National, and Local leaders.

**St. Lawrence Martyr • Christian Family Movement • 2007-2008 Registration Form**

Member last year? (check one)  yes  no Prior years in CFM: \_\_\_\_\_ Year first joined: \_\_\_\_\_ Status (check one):  Single  Married in \_\_\_\_\_ (year)

Family name _____	her name _____	his name _____	child's first name _____	birthdate _____
Address: # and street, unit # (or No Changes) _____	her religion _____	his religion _____	child's first name _____	birthdate _____
City, State, Zip code _____	her occupation _____	his occupation _____	child's first name _____	birthdate _____
Phone number(s) _____	her email _____	his email _____	child's first name _____	birthdate _____

All Returning Members Note: Once again we are giving you the opportunity to request that another CFM family be a member of your group.  
Please list at least 3 (or more) family preferences (if any): \_\_\_\_\_  
Do not list CFM group leaders for the current year. (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (2) \_\_\_\_\_ (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
(We will try to accommodate preferences as much as possible by the Sept. 16th deadline.)

Please send completed form with your check by **Sept. 16, 2007**. Earlier returns appreciated!  
Send to: CFM, c/o Denise Geltz Please list: •Talents to share: • Your Suggestions:  
22317 Ellinwood Drive,  
Torrance, CA 90505

Suggested donation:(includes \$10 for SLM Chapter, balance for National)  
**• Basic membership \$50.**  
• or, optional Sustaining Membership (\$50+ \$15= \$65)  
• or, optional Sponsoring Membership (\$50+ \$40= \$90)  
• or, optional Cardijn Circle Membership (\$50+\$115= \$165).  
Make check to "St. Lawrence CFM" **Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

## Families Growing Together

The Christian Family Movement (CFM) at St. Lawrence Martyr Parish is an organization of families growing together, helping each other recharge Christian family values. CFM has touched the lives of a great many of our parishioners over the years. CFM has fostered life long friendships and a mutual support system for the families of our parish. And its fun! One cannot attend St. Lawrence without soon hearing of CFM.

The Christian Family Movement is a National Organization that has been going strong for over 50 years. Our STLM CFM chapter is one of the largest in the US. During the past 2006-2007 season, about 95 STLM families participated.

Each year we randomly divide our membership into smaller groups of 10 to 15 families. We have separate groups for first time members. A Group Leader facilitates meetings and schedules. The meetings provide fellowship, both serious and fun, with other adults who, like you, are experiencing, dealing with, and growing through family life. Groups will be announced at our Kickoff event, this year on September 22, 2007.

## Christian Service and Outreach

Our groups provide an opportunity for Christian Outreach. We make sandwiches for the homeless, provide items for military overseas, and help fill the Parish Food Pantry. Each group usually adopts an inner city family and provides Christmas gifts & dinner for them. CFM also supports many other outreach activities, including visiting nursing homes, providing toys for abused children, books for inner city schools, Christmas gifts for third world children, beach clean-up, etc.

## Small Group Meetings for Parents

The core of CFM and its special appeal are the small group meetings of the adult members. These informal meetings are on Friday evenings about every four weeks. The meetings are held in and rotate among the group members' homes.

Meetings follow an Observe, Judge and Act model. Content is often taken from a program book written by CFM National. This year's book, *Families Choose Life*, explores Christ's call to all family members to follow the path of happiness, health, love and justice. Discussion covers facts on the topic (Observe); questions to help groups come to an understanding of how Christ's teachings apply to the facts (Judge); and selection of an action to help the family live out the gospel teachings in their everyday life (Act). Members may choose to discuss a topic not from the book.

## Large Group Events for the Family

Part of what makes our CFM Chapter unique is our optional Large-Group Family Events. These occur about every other month.

Past events have included: Family Luau Party, Thanksgiving Feast, Christmas Caroling, Ice Skating, Movie Nights, Game Night for the adults, Talent Show, A Day at the Races at Santa Anita, Baseball and Fireworks at Dodger Stadium, and CFM Family Olympics Day on the lower field at St. Lawrence.

Large events like these are great experiences for the whole family and give many at St. Lawrence a sense of belonging to an extended family.



Thanksgiving  
Feast  
2006

A Day at the  
Races  
2007



Beach Clean-Up  
with "Heal The  
Bay"  
2007

Donuts  
with Santa  
2006



The CFM "Family  
Luau" Kickoff  
2006