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The Magazine of the Catholic Diocese of Sacramento

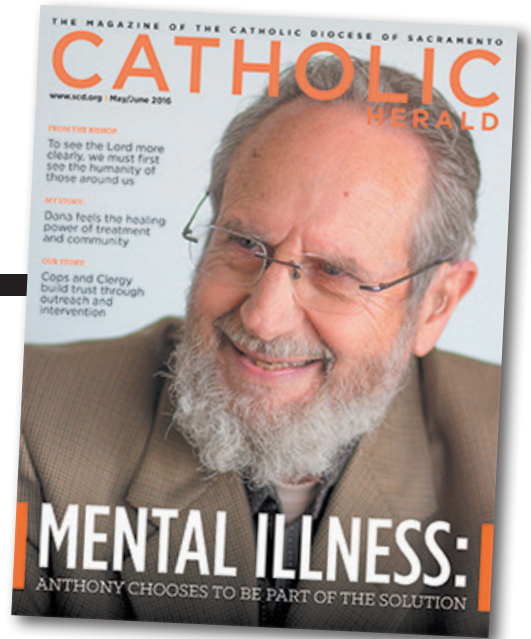
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## 2017 EDITORIAL SCHEDULE

Magazine Issue	Theme	Parish Deadline
Jan/Feb	Catholic education	11/10/16
March/April	Building peace and unity	1/13/17
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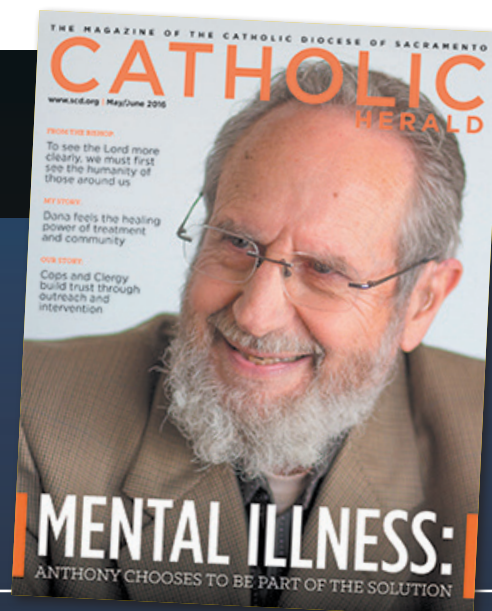
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# Celebrating individual faith stories in *Catholic Herald* Magazine

**C**atholic Herald Magazine – the high-impact, full color magazine for our diocese – celebrated its sixth anniversary with the September-October 2016 issue. For the past six years, we have shared with you the moving faith stories of Catholics in our diocese. *Catholic Herald* is a critical part of our diocese’s evangelization and spiritual formation efforts.



Individual faith stories are the cornerstone of *Catholic Herald* Magazine. Since our inaugural edition, we have told dozens of faith stories of Catholics across the 20 counties of the Diocese of Sacramento. Here’s just a sample of some stories from 2016:

- **Charlie and Odette Kelemen** of St. Thomas the Apostle School in Oroville shared how tuition assistance from the diocese’s Annual Catholic Appeal makes Catholic education more affordable and accessible for their two children, Lili and Bence, who attend the school.
- Choosing to love, forgive and heal, **Michele Casados** of St. Anthony Parish in Sacramento told her story of God’s grace in helping her cope with the violent death of her daughter.
- **Marie Dalman**, young adult parishioner at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Sacramento, told of how NightFever changed her life, bringing her to an encounter with Jesus and a closer relationship to the Lord. During NightFever, the cathedral is open in the evening for four hours, lit up with hundreds of candles, the Eucharist exposed on the altar, and priests are available to talk or hear confessions.
- Coping with the mental illness of David, his oldest of four children, **Anthony Da Vigo** of St. Francis Parish in Sacramento told how it affected every aspect of his life over the past 40 years, walking through what he calls “the labyrinth of denial, recognition, acceptance, copying and advocacy.” Through it all, he relied on his faith, even during the darkest times.
- **Ray Leonardini**, a member of Divine Savior Parish in Orangevale and a volunteer to inmates at Folsom Prison, shared how centering prayer groups have changed inmates’ lives and helped them make deep personal changes through a relationship with God.
- **Irma Michel and Kerry Joseph** of Good Shepherd Parish in Elk Grove reach out to hundreds of men and women inmates in custody at Rio Cosumnes Correctional Center with Bible study and classes in the Catholic faith. What they do gives the prisoners a sense of hope

and a renewed sense of how much God loves them.

- **Katie and Zach Smith**, members of St. Clare Parish in Roseville and the parents of four young children, spoke about how respecting life and human dignity are etched into their being and form the essence of their family life.
- **Sister of Mercy Clare Dalton** and **Randy Hartley**, who work with No One Dies Alone at Mercy General Hospital in Sacramento, shared how the program improves end-of-life care in hospitals by making community volunteers available to comfort dying patients in their final hours.
- **Father Michael Canny**, pastor of St. Anthony Parish in Mount Shasta, St. John the Evangelist Parish in Dunsmuir and St. Joseph Parish in McCloud, and many parishioners shared how they serve needs and provide outreach to families and a large elderly population in Siskiyou County.

Readers have been captivated by the moving faith stories and high-quality photos in *Catholic Herald* Magazine. In addition, each issue features articles that touch on the many ministries of the diocese and its parishes, and columns explore the Catholic faith and educate people on the teachings of the Church.

*Catholic Herald* Magazine is sent six times a year to some 40,000 households in our diocese, both to donors of the Annual Catholic Appeal and donors to the magazine. (For the publication schedule, please see the reverse side.)

I look forward with enthusiasm to continuing to share stories of faith with our diocesan community, and working closely with you to alert me to stories you believe our parishioners will want to read.

Yours in service,  
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