

April 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 11:00 am - Unity Book Club
3 10 am - ACIM 11 am Service: "Knowing the Truth for Others" (Rev. Joan Gattuso)	4	5 6:00 pm - Toastmasters	6 12:30 pm - Unity Prayer Service	7	8	9
10 10 am - ACIM 11 am Service: "What's Really Important?" (Rev. Joan Gattuso)	11	12 6:00 pm - Toastmasters	13 12:30 pm - Unity Prayer Service	14	15	16 9:30 am - Prosperity Breakfast
17 10 am - ACIM 11 am Service: "Ready for a Miracle" (Rev. Joan Gattuso) PALM SUNDAY	18	19 6:00 pm - Toastmasters	20 12:30 pm - Unity Prayer Service	21 7:00 pm - Maundy Thursday Service	22	23
24 10 am - ACIM 11 am Service: "You Are a Unit of the One Reality" (Rev. Joan Gattuso) EASTER SUNDAY	25	26 6:00 pm - Toastmasters	27 12:30 pm - Unity Prayer Service	28	29	30



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Easter Highlights Joan's Lessons

April Sundays conclude with the sacredness of Easter this year. **Rev. Joan Gattuso** has created Spirit-laden lessons for every Sunday this month. Here they are:

April 3: "Knowing the Truth for Others." As it says in the *Dhammapada*: "Even the gods emulate those who are awakened."

April 10: "What's Really Important?" Winning isn't everything. . .or is it?

April 17 (Palm Sunday): "Ready for a Miracle." Always be ready for a miracle. See beyond appearances to the truth within.

April 24 (Easter Sunday): "You Are a Unit of the One Reality." Begin now to move even deeper into your Christ self.

From Our Minister

Dear Friends,

One of the advantages we have as Unity Truth students is in our understanding of prayer. We pray, no beseeching, begging, pleading or attempting to cajole God, but rather we pray knowing we are engaged with God in knowing the Truth.

That which we pray for is not a favor bestowed on us from God, but already a reality in Divine Mind. Our prayers are bringing the state desired out of potential into our day by day experience.

When we pray we attract to us the good we want. When we pray we forgive first. When we pray we affirm. When we pray we visualize. When we pray we open to a way of manifesting beyond our grandest imaginings. And when we pray we know, and our knowing becomes our reality.

In Unity our prayer life offers us support from our spiritual community—our sangha—from our Unity of Greater Cleveland practitioners, as well as the tremendous 24-hour-a-day support from Silent Unity.

Jesus taught us that, when we pray, we need to go into our inner closet. For us in the 21st Century it means to go into your inner sanctuary, the quiet inner space where the harsh and grating sounds of the world cannot enter and be heard. In this inner stillness you can know God, and all your prayers are answered.

Praying is not to be a perfunctory practice done morning or night or both. Your prayers need to be held close to your heart and your breath as it becomes a part of the very fiber of your being.

Prayer brings answers, shows the way, makes a way when there appears to be none. Prayer brings peace and comfort, knowing and joy.

Prayer is the answer. Prayer is the way. You are held in my prayers.

Love,



From the Bookstore

A New Way of Thinking

"The Spirit of the Lord goes before me, making easy, joyous and successful my way. I am grateful." This affirmation is in Charles Roth's book, *A New Way of Thinking*, which becomes a frequent prayer ritual throughout.

As you repeat these words, you will notice a change in attitude about whatever challenge you are facing. Throughout the book, Charles Roth offers various tools that provide inspiring and encouraging steps to living in alignment with practical spiritual principle. Roth provides useful tools to embark on a new way of thinking about our ever-changing lives. As the opening affirmation is repeated in the quiet and privacy of your mind, it activates all the spiritual resources within you. This book should be a part of your spiritual survival kit.



Madachy Auction/Dinner

The Fourth Annual Jason Madachy Foundation Dinner and Auction is slated for Saturday, April 16th, from 6:00 p.m. to Midnight. Proceeds from the event are used to purchase stethoscopes for first year medical students.

The event is at the Patrician Party Center, 33150 Lakeland Blvd., Eastlake, Ohio. The \$50 ticket price includes dinner and an open bar. For tickets or to make a donation call 440-352-8952 or 440-479-5982. Unity of Greater Cleveland is a co-sponsor of the event.

"Deepening Consciousness"

The second part of "Deepening Consciousness: The Basis for Flowing Through Life" with Dr. Carole Ann Drick concludes on Sunday, May 1, at 1:00 p.m.. The workshop examines the deeper skills of conscious living to prepare us for each moment for the rest of our life – including death.

Overview: Behind all our actions, our words, and our thoughts is – Consciousness. When we connect with ourselves and others in this sacred space, we discover that Conscious Living naturally evolves into Conscious Dying each moment. When we practice Conscious Living physical death becomes simply a moment in time.

Part II: Conscious Dying, May 1, 1:00 p.m.

Deep within Conscious Living is Conscious Dying which is natural, healthy and organic. This death to what is not real is necessary so you may reenter the vibration of the present moment. Discover the "Dying to one's self" in a soft, gentle way and the deeper realization of what you are. Realize the deep peace of physical death through Deepening Consciousness. Incredible spontaneity, joy, prosperity and health are available to you. This is an exciting, joy fill gathering! Suggested love offering: \$20.

Prosperity Breakfast April 16

The next powerful Prosperity Breakfast is set for Saturday, April 16, at 9:30 a.m. in the River City Grill at the Marriott Hotel in Warrensville Heights. The address is 26300 Harvard Road, just off I-271.

At the breakfast support will be given to all attending through the sharing of prosperity stories, masterminding, and prayer which produces powerful, positive results for all attending.

Gabriela and Javier Perform

Unity musicians, soprano **Gabriela Martinez** and her husband and pianist **Javier Martinez**, perform with the Cleveland State Orchestra on Tuesday, April 26, at 8:00 p.m. in the Waetjen Auditorium in Cleveland State's Music Building at the corner of Euclid and East 21st Street.

Gabriela will be performing her graduate recital on Saturday, May 7, at 7:30 p.m. in the Music Building in Drinko Hall.

Easter: "Most Sacred Time of Our Church Year"

Rev. Joan Gattuso calls the Easter season "the most sacred time of our church year." It begins with Palm Sunday on April 17 and concludes with Easter Sunday on April 24. Spiritual events include the Palm Sunday Service, Maundy Thursday Service on April 21, and Easter Sunday Service. The remarkable singer **Karen Karsh** shares the spotlight with Rev. Joan.



Join Rev. Joan in making this a season to remember. Musically and spiritually none of the events of the season is to be missed. To round out this wondrous experience, our children have a wonderful singing presentation on Easter Sunday. There will be a visit by the Easter Bunny.

Palm Sunday Service, April 17 (11:00 a.m.)

This is a Sunday of celebration and expectancy, as the Easter season begins for all of us at Unity of Greater Cleveland. Rev. Joan, whose lesson is entitled "Ready for a Miracle," sees it as an opportunity to discover miracles on your spiritual journey as it sets the tone for the remainder of this sacred week.

Maundy Thursday Service, April 21 (7:00 p.m.)

This metaphysical reenactment of the Last Supper is unique and very moving. The communion service includes the significance of the 12 Apostles and the ritual of purification in which Jesus and they engaged.

Because of the nature of this service, you MUST sign up in advance. Please do so early, because space is limited. Please arrive early for this service centered and in a peaceful consciousness.

Easter Sunday Service, April 24 (11:00 a.m.)

This sacred day brings us a renewal of spirit, a rebirth of consciousness. Make certain to attend this service guaranteed to bring the God light in us all to the surface. Rev. Joan's title is "You Are a Unit of the One Reality."

Karen Karsh at Nighttown

Karen Karsh and her magnificent voice will be performing at Nighttown on Tuesday, April 26. We encourage you to bring your friends to support this wonderful entertainer.

Nighttown serves excellent food. The entry fee for the concert is \$10. Call Nighttown at 216-795-0550 for reservations.

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