

# *What is a "Night of Recollection"*

**A Night of Song.....A Night of Reflection.....A Night of Inspiration.....**

*A Night of Recollection* is a recalling of the great gift of God to us. It is a 2 hour program combining approximately 15 songs, scripture readings, testimony, and preaching to support the theme of the evening. There are 3 themes from which a parish can choose. The songs come from Father Charles and Laurie's 10 albums. Each theme has within it something special, such as Eucharistic Adoration, anointing with the oil of gladness, or a symbolic offering of our fears. There are no tickets required and no fee to pay. If the parish wishes to do so, there may be a free will offering taken up during the evening to help defray the stipend cost. It is our hope that each program will touch your heart, help you to feel the presence of your Lord and come to know Jesus in a more personal way, realizing we are never alone, and that with the Lord, we can do the unthinkable, unimaginable and even forgive the unforgivable.

## *Program 1 - Jeremiah 17 : 7 - 8*

Through reflection of this scripture and songs to support this theme we allow the worries of life be washed away with the peace of Christ; understanding that He carries our burdens and He is our confidence, strength, comfort and hope. When we can let go and trust God with all things, we live life to its fullest and can be an inspiration to all those around us. During the evening, each person will be anointed with the oil of gladness.

## *Program 2 - Mercy*

This theme supports the Corporal and Spiritual works of mercy, taking some of the basic catechism of our Church and applying it to our daily lives through song, testimony and preaching. Learn about God's Mercy and how it affects our lives. We encourage the use of the Divine Mercy Chaplet and briefly talk about Saint Faustina and her apparition of our Lord. We have Eucharistic Adoration during the program adoring Christ through Divine Mercy prayers and songs. This powerful program has been a tremendous source of strength to those who need to be refueled with the fire of faith.

## *Program 3 - Divine Providence*

Through this theme we discover how our fears and toxic guilt prevent us from living in the freedom of peace that God desires for us. We share examples of the fears that bind us and ways in which we can let go and see God's Divine Providence in our lives. This program and songs are particularly helpful for those suffering the grief of losing a loved one, for caregivers, or for those who are struggling in any way. You will have an opportunity to participate in a symbolic offering of your fears and have them prayed over. Come and refresh your soul and rejuvenate your spirit knowing that God's Divine Providence is at work every day in your life.