

## ***“Bridging the Gap”***

Pastoral Week is an annual opportunity for those working in Catholic Deaf Ministry to come together to share experiences and ideas; a time of networking and fellowship. It is also a time when we ‘renew’ ourselves spiritually and prepare ourselves for the work of the new year. Join us on **Friday, January 16** as we open Pastoral Week 2009 in beautiful **San Mateo, California.**

We have a tremendous lineup of speakers from the United States, Canada, and Uganda. Keynote speakers include: **Fr. Mike Depcik, Fr. Jerry Brown, Deacon Joseph McLaughlin, and Hellen Mbabazi. Julie Rems-Smario,** Executive Director of Deaf Hope, will present on ‘Domestic Violence.’ And **Fr. Bill Key,** Deaf Cursillo Chaplain, and his team, will present ‘Eye-Centered Revisited: The Spirituality of Deaf People.’ **Matthew Hysell** of Canada will discuss Lay Ministry and **Fr. Rich Luberti** will present on the use of the internet for Catholic Liturgy.

No one will want to miss our **Post Conference Workshop** on **Wednesday, January 21,** presented by **Deacon Patrick Graybill.** Deacon Graybill and his team will present “Spiritlinking Leadership” based on the sought after book by the same name authored by Dr. Donna J. Markham.

***Make your plans now to be with us for Pastoral Week 2009!***