

Did You Know...

✠ *News and trivia from our parish and the Catholic Church* ✠
-- contributed by the Christ Child Church Women's Club --

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Who's that guy playing the great music?

You might have noticed the (fairly recent) appearance of a gifted musician, playing guitar and singing during Saturday evening Mass. If you appreciated it as much as we do, you're one of thousands who have listened to and enjoyed the musical gifts of John Grassadonia.



John's music is spirited, loving, emotional, and full of grace -- a fitting testament to the man himself. Listening even for a few minutes, it's easy to be drawn into the reverence and love of Jesus that John delivers with every note and chord.

As a devoted Catholic, John's religion and music have carried him to far points on the earth on music ministry missions. He has won international and domestic singer/songwriter awards, and is currently employed by the Monterey Diocese as the music director of St. Joseph's Catholic Community. John also teaches music at the Good Shepherd Catholic School in Capitola, his home base.



As you may have noticed, John's musical wanderings are both traditional and contemporary -- he has written a large body of music of his own. So if you find you can't quite hum along with some of his renditions, that may well be the reason.

Much of the original music that John has composed is available on his CD's (see his web site), and his work is truly inspired. Let me just say that it can be a real gift to have John singing and playing in the background, while dealing with the (less peaceful) aspects of daily traffic on Highway 17.

The next time you enjoy the beauty of John's melodies, please say hello to him, and let him know how much we appreciate his time, and his tunes, in our little country Church.

Still Curious? See this link ---

<http://www.johngrassadonia.com/>

--- *Karin and Greg Illes*

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