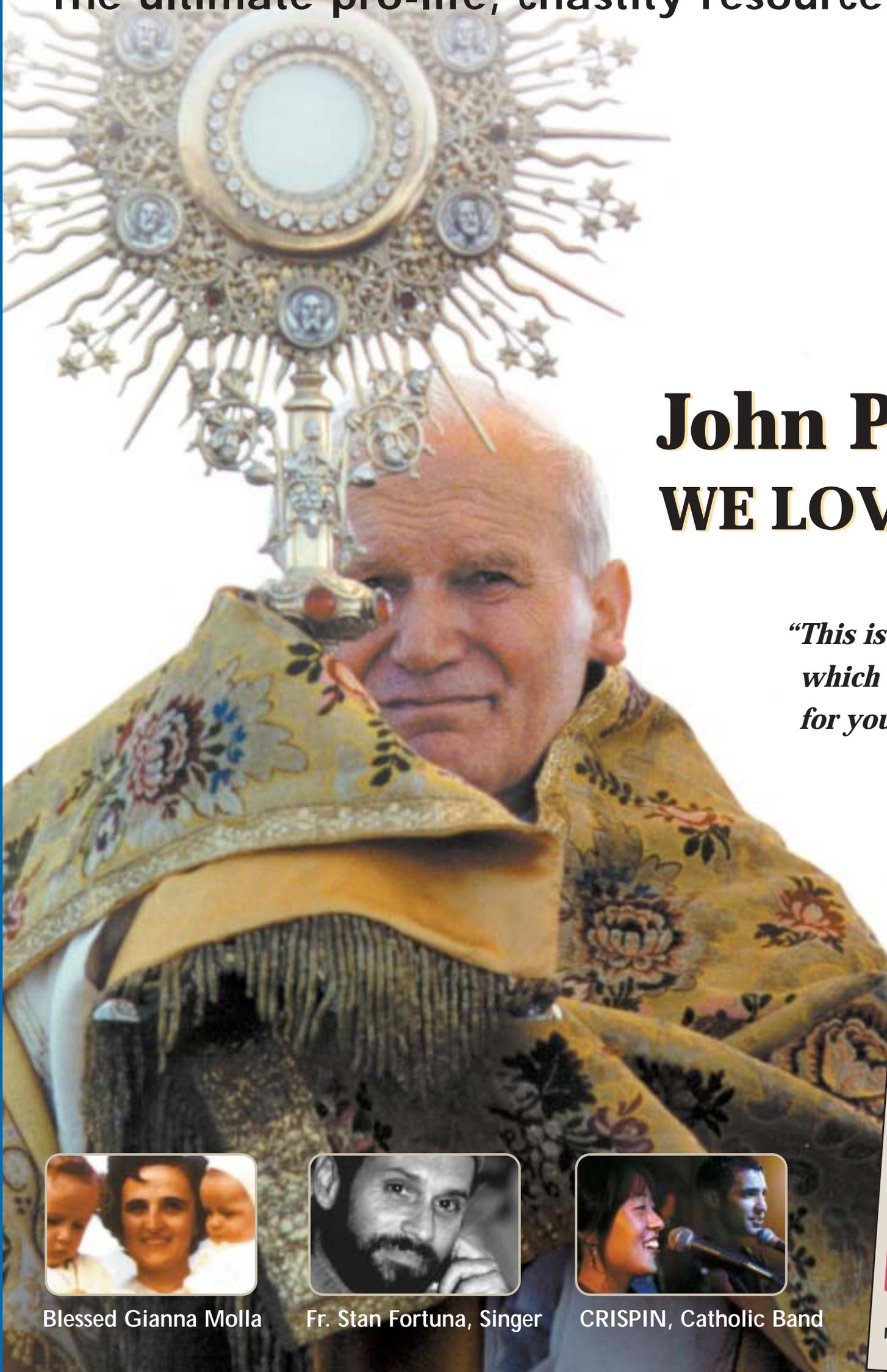
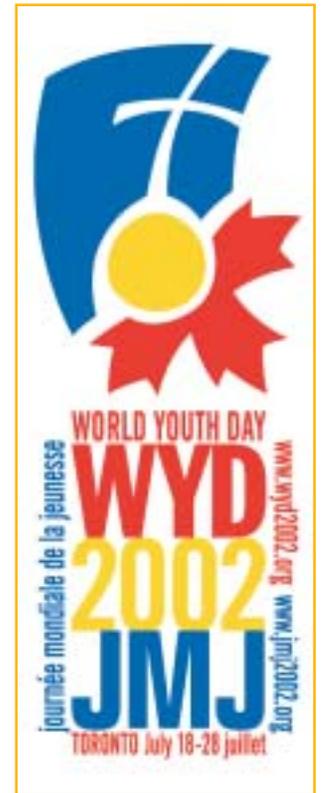


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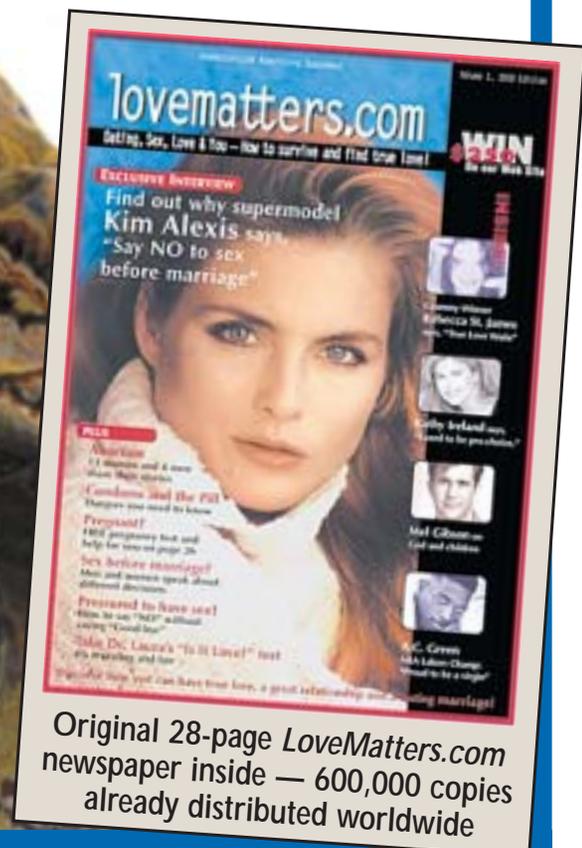
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## Welcome to World Youth Day!

Dear Faithful Pilgrim,

Greetings in Jesus' Holy Name! A warm welcome to you and all pilgrims here at World Youth Day 2002.

We are excited to make this special edition of **LoveMatters.com** available to you. Enclosed is our original 28-page pro-life, pro-chastity newspaper, featuring celebrities, superstar athletes, experts and youth encouraging young men and women to save sex for marriage, and to choose life rather than abortion. Over 600,000 copies of **LoveMatters.com** have already been distributed throughout the USA, Canada, Japan, Australia, Africa, and Europe. With your help, we hope to distribute millions of additional copies around the world.

This special WYD issue highlights our faithful Holy Father, John Paul II, and Catholic saints and role models. Thank God for their love of Christ and His Church.

Our prayer is that **LoveMatters.com** inspires you to live and love your faith and to promote chastity and respect for life in your home, parish and community.

Lives and souls are at stake.

Father Frank Pavone, Co-Founder of Priests of Life and National Advisor to **LoveMatters.com**, says, "I have a sense of urgency about distributing **LoveMatters.com** because it can totally change the lives of youth who read it. It can save thousands of girls and boys from making costly, life-long mistakes. It can save thousands of precious babies from abortion."

Archbishop Justin Rigali of St. Louis Missouri, wrote, "We were pleased to distribute more than 100,000 copies of **LoveMatters.com** to Catholic households throughout the Archdiocese and to our nearly 17,000 high school students."

With God's help, we believe **LoveMatters.com** will continue to change hearts and save lives and souls around the world. We pray you'll join our efforts.

May World Youth Day be an inspiring, life-changing event for you, and may the Lord's presence touch your soul forever!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

J.T. Finn  
Editor-in-Chief

P.S. I pray that God blesses you and that **LoveMatters.com** helps you save lives and souls.



"Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Unborn, Mother most pure, please help us end abortion and remain always pure."

# John Paul II WE LOVE YOU!

By Father Thomas Rosica, C.S.B.

National Director and CEO for  
World Youth Day 2002

John Paul II, the first Polish Pope in Church history, began his pontificate in 1978 with these powerful words: "Do not be afraid! Open wide the doors to Christ!" Karol Wojtyla is now entering into the twenty-fifth year of his Pontificate. Only six Popes, including St. Peter, have reigned longer than Pope John Paul II.

Over these 24 years, Pope John Paul II has achieved unprecedented feats. He has visited over 130 countries, and his major documents — including encyclicals, exhortations, constitutions and apostolic letters — number more than 100. John Paul II has proclaimed over 450 saints and nearly 1200 blessed. The 81-year-old Pope has canonized more people than all his predecessors of the last 50 years combined, viewing sainthood as a way to highlight role models for Catholics and bring recognition to the church in different countries. He has presided over 1,000 general audiences, attended by more than 16.5 million faithful. As Bishop of Rome he has visited 300 of the diocese's 325 parishes.

In the twilight of this remarkable pontificate, we are now witnessing the "final act" of an incredible man's life on the world stage. He is a very frail man today, stooped and moving haltingly, with trembling hands. Yet Pope John Paul II is as powerful as any leader in the world today. Though his body is failing, his mind and heart are forever young, because he has kept young people at the heart of his ministry. He enjoys an incredible popularity with young Catholics. There is no greater symbol of this than the importance he has given to World Youth Days over the past 16 years of his Pontificate. Two years ago at the last World Youth Day in Rome, he rightly called young people of the world his "joy and his crown".

Today, the pilgrimage of the world's youth comes to Toronto. In a cynical and hollow world, torn apart by hatred, violence, terrorism and fear, this old man is for young people a moral rock, a beacon of hope, a model of dialogue, a peacemaker, a father, a grandfather, a demanding and loving friend.

Long ago, the Old Testament Prophet Joel spoke powerfully: "Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions" (Joel 2:28). On behalf of Catholics in

this country, I welcome the youth of the world to join this great visionary and modern prophet, Pope John Paul II, on his arrival in Canada to celebrate with the whole nation and the world the 17th World Youth Day from July 18-28, 2002.



## *The Gospel of Life* by John Paul II

"Today there exists a great multitude of weak and defenseless human beings, unborn children in particular, whose fundamental right to life is being trampled upon... in the name of God: respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life! Only in this direction will you find justice, development, true freedom, peace and happiness!" (17)

## The Shroud of Turin

"The Father loves me, because I lay down my life." Jn 10:17



**"You are the Salt of the Earth. . . You are the Light of the World" (Mt 5:13-14)**

# Becoming a Saint



## Saint Maximilian Kolbe

In 1941, the Nazis imprisoned Father Maximilian Kolbe in the Auschwitz death camp. There, he offered his life for another prisoner and was condemned to slow death in a starvation bunker. On August 14, 1941, his impatient captors ended his life with a lethal injection. Pope John Paul II canonized Maximilian as a "martyr of charity" in 1982. "Greater love has no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." Jn 15:13



## Mother Teresa

**Courageous voice for the unborn!**

Mother Teresa delivered the keynote address to the National Prayer Breakfast, February 3, 1994, in Washington, D.C. Excerpts of her speech follow:

*"The child is God's gift to the family. Each child is created in the special image and likeness of God for greater things — to love and be loved."*

*"But I feel that the greatest destroyer of peace today is abortion, because it is a war against the child, murder by the mother herself. And if we accept that a mother can kill even her own child, how can we tell other people not to kill one another?"*

*"Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love, but to use any violence to get what they want."*

*"We are fighting abortion by adoption — by care of the mother and adoption for her baby. We have saved thousands of lives."*

*"Jesus said, 'Anyone who receives a child in my*

*name receives me.' By adopting a child, these couples receive Jesus but, by aborting a child, a couple refuses to receive Jesus."*

*"Please don't kill the child. I want the child. Please give me the child. From our children's home in Calcutta, we have saved over 3,000 children from abortion. These children have brought such love and joy to the adopting parents and have grown up so full of love and joy."*

## Saint Maria Goretti

**Martyr for Chastity**  
1890 – 1902 Italy  
Died Age 11

Maria Goretti was the young girl who is remembered because she refused to acquiesce in a grave sin against chastity. Maria was a cheerful, friendly, hard-working young girl.

When Maria was 11 years old, Alessandro Serenelli, a 19-year-old neighbor, twice made advances to her. Maria recognized his intentions, and the purity of her soul was revolted. On both occasions he threatened to kill her if she mentioned the matter to anyone. On Saturday morning, July 5, 1902, Alessandro made sexual advances again. This time threatening Maria with a sharp nine-and-a-half-inch pointed blade.

According to Alessandro, Maria's words were, "No! No! No! What are you doing? Do not touch me! It is a sin — you will go to Hell!" More than instinctively fighting to preserve her honor, Maria thought even at this time of the sin which would condemn Alessandro to Hell. He pushed a gagging handkerchief into her mouth, but confronted with a will stronger than his own, he could not touch her. At this point, Alessandro picked up the knife and began stabbing Maria. Reports as to the number of wounds vary, but fourteen major ones were treated at the hospital.

When the priest came to give Maria Last Rites, he asked her if she forgave her murderer with all her heart. Maria replied



with no hesitation, "Yes, I too, for the love of Jesus, forgive him... and I want him to be with me in Paradise... May God forgive him, because I already have forgiven him." Maria died later that day.

Maria Goretti was canonized on June 25, 1950. May Maria's purity, mercy and love inspire us all to become holy saints.

## Gianna Molla

**Blessed Gianna - Mother, Doctor, Martyr**

A woman of great virtue, Blessed Gianna was born on October 4, 1922. Gianna became a doctor and specialized in pediatrics for 10 years. Her viewpoint on abortion was direct and unambiguous: "The doctor should not meddle. The right of the child to live is equal to the right of the mother's life. The doctor cannot decide; it is a sin to kill in the womb."

Gianna's maxim was as follows: "I have always been taught that the secret of happiness is living moment by moment and to thank God for everything that in His goodness He sends us, day after day." When asked why she decided to marry her husband Pietro, Gianna stated: "The ways of the Lord are all beautiful, provided the end is the same: to save our soul and succeed in taking many others to Heaven to give glory to God."

During her last pregnancy, Gianna's physicians diagnosed a large ovarian cyst which required surgery. The surgeon suggested that Gianna have an abortion in order to save her own life. Gianna's decision was prompt and decisive: "I shall accept whatever they will do to me provided they save the child." Months later, she gave birth to a healthy baby girl, but Gianna had weakened due to uterine cancer, and she died seven days later, on April 28, 1962. Gianna's husband Pietro later described Gianna's life to her children: "The life of Mamma was an act... of faith and charity; it was a non-stop search for the will of God for every decision and for every work, with prayer and meditation, Holy Mass and the Eucharist." Pope John Paul II beatified Gianna Beretta Molla at St. Peter's Square in Rome on April 24, 1994.



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# Music at World Youth Day

## Singers, bands and artists to lift your soul!

PROMOTE chastity!  
DEFEND life!  
BECOME a saint!

### This Priest Raps!



**Father Stan Fortuna raps for God and youth! We're talkin 100% Catholic rap at it's best!**

A member of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, **Father Stan** sings and preaches the gospel in a straightforward, no-nonsense style. His tools are a guitar, tremendous talent and his passion for God, song and music, including jazz, rap and hip-hop. "One of my obligations as a priest," says Fr. Stan, "is to administer the mysteries of God and to preach the word of God — and music is a very, very powerful means to do that."

**Sacro Song** is Father's popular rap album. It was inspired by a biography of John Paul II which pointed out that in 1968, as Bishop of Krakow, Poland, our Pope encouraged young people to catechize through rock music — known as beat music — because Catholics could not openly catechize and teach the faith in this communist country.

JOHN PAUL II

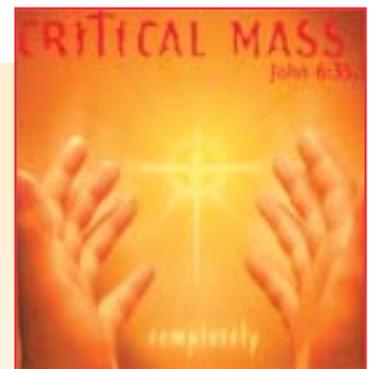


**Cool CATHolic** - Before becoming Pope, John Paul II encouraged Polish youth to catechize through rock music.

Fr. Stan pulls no punches when it comes to singing and preaching against pre-marital sex, pornography, abortion, drugs and suicide. He says, "If somebody's been through an abortion with their girlfriend, they need to hear 'Never Been Born.' If somebody's really struggling with hopelessness and despair and wishing they were dead, or had a friend that committed suicide, they need to hear 'Kumbya.' If someone is hating themselves, they need to hear 'Psalm 51' and 'Lord Have Mercy.' And if somebody's been through real problems with their family, they need to listen to 'Family,' both Inlaw and Outlaw."

You can order Fr. Stan's albums at Pauline Books and Media, or via his web site at [www.francescoproductions.com](http://www.francescoproductions.com)

### Canada's Critical Mass on WYD CD



**Critical Mass** won Rock Album of the year at the Canadian Gospel Music Association Covenant Awards on October 14, 2000. They've hit #1 on the MP3.com Spiritual Rock Charts. And their song, **Share it with the World**, appears on the official World Youth Day 2002 compilation CD.

This vibrant, Catholic, rock band continues to get rave reviews! You'll love their music, lyrics and strong messages about holiness, purity and respect for life.

Critical Mass band member, **David Wang**, loves the Eucharist. He reminds us that, "Jesus is truly present, Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity." David encourages youth, "to go to Confession where they will receive true peace," to practice, "devotions to our Blessed Mother," and "to be uncompromising and strive for holiness and chastity."

Regarding abortion, Wang is bold in defending the unborn, "**Stand up for life! BE A RADICAL! BE ANTI-ESTABLISHMENT! TAKE A STAND! Write songs, draw art, do anything you can to promote life.**" Wang reminds us, "Do all these things in love, it works better!"

At WYD, Critical Mass will feature a song called **Running With Eyes Closed**. It's about a young girl's crisis pregnancy, her thoughts of abortion, her friend's pro-life support and a prayer that she chooses life. When you speak out against abortion, Wang says, "you may even save a life."

You can listen to Critical Mass, watch their videos and order albums at their web site: [www.catholicrock.com](http://www.catholicrock.com)

### Brianna Wows Audiences!



This inspiring, award-winning, 16-year-old singer, recently signed a contract with HeartBeat Records, a leading Catholic record label in the USA. Brianna Dyer's father, John, writes her music and performs with their group called, "**Inspirit**".

"Our goal is to spread the good news of Jesus Christ and what better way to reach out than through music," **Brianna** said.

Joe Moss, youth director at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Waconia, Minnesota said, "INSPIRIT had us dancing in the aisles! Brianna's strong voice and John's powerful lyrics really reach out and touch young people. God works wonders through this remarkable young lady." Susan Stein, of HeartBeat Records, says, "Brianna has the presence and vocal ability of artists twice her age."

Not only does Brianna sing, but she also speaks out on critical issues like abortion and chastity. She says, "Life begins at conception. And although the experience of having a baby may seem overwhelming to a young pregnant girl, I would remind her that the little person inside her, no matter how small, has a spirit, just like her."

"We as a community should promote chastity, because it would save lives. Most of the women choosing to have abortions are girls who are not yet married. Promoting chastity will help reduce the amount of teenage pregnancies, and thus reduce the amount of abortions."

Regarding temptations in our lives, Brianna encourages us to immediately turn to Jesus. "He gave up His life for us even though He was tempted not to, and if He can do that for us, then rejecting temptations is the least we can do for Him."

You can hear Brianna and order her CDs online at: [www.briannainspirit.com](http://www.briannainspirit.com)



### CRISPIN

These Catholic troubadours are a divinely, funky band consecrated to Jesus through the Immaculate Heart of Mary and named in honor of Saint Crispin, the patron saint of shoemakers.

The Catholic Music Network ([CatholicMusicNetwork.com](http://CatholicMusicNetwork.com)) reviewed

CRISPIN's PSALMBA CD, and said, "Crispin is one of the best funky, jazz, folk, pop bands there is! Among many hits, they have a great version of the old standard 'When the Saints Come Marching In' on this CD." **Daniel diSilva**, the band's lead vocalist, does a wonderful job telling us about some of his favorite saints via jazz mini-bios ranging from The Little Flower to Max Kolbe, St. Peter, and of course, St. Crispin. The band's upbeat Catholic music grooves with a unique mix of saxophone, fiddle, flute, violin, mandolin, horns and lots of percussion.

Jeff Cavins, of EWTN's Life on the Rock, says CRISPIN is "One of the best Christian bands in the world." On tour most of the past four years, CRISPIN's played over 400 concerts in five countries, and released four CDs, including their latest live CD, "Were You There?" They also played for the Holy Father in Rome at World Youth Day 2000.

CRISPIN was started by lead singer and songwriter **Daniel diSilva** who saw the inside of almost every theater and jazz club in America before he completely turned his life over to Jesus through the Immaculate Heart of Mary in 1997.

diSilva shares a chastity message at every show, "I believe chastity has become our culture's biggest challenge on the way to spiritual freedom and unity with Christ. We can no longer shy away from telling the truth about true love because the world has not been shy about spreading lies about true love. True love requires chastity, and we all want true love. We especially want true love when it comes to our relationship with our Father in heaven. And Jesus can teach us everything we need to know."

CRISPIN vocalist, **Sommer Stowe**, has a great devotion to Our Lady and she encourages everyone to, "pray to Mary for intercession" regarding relationships or during difficult times. "She'll guide you and keep you pure." Sommer adds that, "chastity is about loving Christ and loving those whom He puts in your life. seeing them as individuals and not objectifying them."

You can listen to CRISPIN and order their CDs online at: [www.crispinmusic.org](http://www.crispinmusic.org)

### OmegaRock.com

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