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Dear Friends,

## **God is kind and merciful to us. Thank you Lord Jesus Christ!**

**April 6, 2014, Sunday** was the Widows & Widowers Support Group at St. Charles meeting attended by 30 good friends. **Fr. Charles "Chuck" Fuld** was the perfect speaker for this group. His talk was perfect because he himself lost his wife. But God has a way of healing him and us.

Fr. Chuck was such an inspiration for all of us. Especially for the ones who have been around for a long time and knew his story. He had lost his wife at a very young age while he was still serving in the military and then finished raising his family alone and retiring from the Navy and some other jobs he held. Then he decided to become a priest and after serving in the priesthood for many years he retired to help in the Diocese of San Diego as managing editor of the Southern Cross Catholic newspaper. Fr. Chuck really was able to give the audience what they were also feeling about how it feels to lose the love of your life and pick up the pieces to go on. The audience listened very intently and then were given a chance to ask questions. He willingly answered all the questions of which there were many. He made the whole presentation fun and even gave us some much needed laughter which really is good for the soul. **Thank you, Fr. Chuck!**

We were also so honored to have Father James "Jim" Bahash to stop by and give our new group his blessing. He too noted how we had grown and we hope to keep growing.

We thank you all who attended and shared your story (and of course, your stories were confidential). We also thank the donor of subway sandwich trays for all of us. She is not a widow, but her kindness was extended to all of us. She would like to remain anonymous.

Please see pictures below.



Our next meeting will be on May 4, Sunday from 2:00 - 4:00pm. The next speaker is a group from MetLife. They will speak from 3:00 to 4:00 pm. Their topic will be Financial Position, Protection Planning, Investment Planning, Tax Planning, Retirement Planning & Estate Planning. **YOU ARE ALL INVITED** (including NOT a widow or widower)!

*(Written by Peggy Olson & Merlyn Baker)*

Sincerely,

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