

Fr. Michael Manning, SVD



Father Michael Manning is a Catholic priest whose unique ministry is television. His program, *The Word in the World*, is seen weekly on the Trinity Broadcasting Network, putting his message into over 200,000 households across the country and around the world. His programs are also broadcast on Catholic TV networks in America and on the worldwide U.S. American Forces Network.

In 1972 Father Manning began his ministry by hosting and producing the program “Run for Daylight” on a cable system in San Bernardino, California. In 1978 he began a nationally syndicated weekly program. Fr. Mike’s goal is to present Catholic perspectives on life’s issues. He has a driving desire to build bridges among people of different denominations and religions. He champions the causes of the poor and disenfranchised. His teachings bring fresh and exciting insights into the Bible and the Catholic faith.

Father has appeared as a guest on Larry King Live, The Tonight Show, Doctor Laura, The Leeza Show, The Montel Williams Show, The Phil Donahue Show, Hard Copy, Helpline, Real People, The 700 Club, and Today’s Religion. On radio he’s been a guest on Religious Seekers with Michael Levine and Clergy on Call. He was a regular guest on the popular radio program Religion on the Line with Dennis Prager. He appeared with Robert De Niro in the film “Guilt by Suspicion.”

Father has written several books and booklets, including Pardon My Lenten Smile!, Proclaimed from the Rooftops, Life Full of Surprises, an autobiography On Camera and Off, Questions and Answers for Today’s Catholics, and Why Do Catholics Leave the Church?.

In May 2006 Father Mike was the recipient of the prestigious Papal award Pro Ecclesia Et Pontifice Cross from Pope Benedict XVI, given to “individuals whose contributions rise to a level that deserves recognition by the Universal Church.”

Father has degrees in Philosophy and Theology plus an M.F.A. in play writing. In addition to his media work, he is a popular speaker at national and international conventions.

Father Manning is a member of the Society of the Divine Word, an international missionary community that serves the needs of the poor. Fr. Mike is Founder and President of **Wordnet Productions**.



Mission of Wordnet Productions

Embracing the transforming power of the Gospel, Wordnet Productions communicates the Word of God to all people through media in the spirit of the Society of the Divine Word.

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