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## **New items on St. Josemaría website**

Recent news, articles and testimonies at [www.josemariaescriva.info](http://www.josemariaescriva.info). This site dedicated to St. Josemaría is available in English, French, Italian, Portuguese and Spanish.

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### **A Friend of Families**

“Why do you say that you bless human love with both hands?”

Saint Josemaría's view of clean human love could not have been more positive. He taught that marriage is also a Christian vocation, "a divine path" to holiness. And so when people asked him why he blessed it "with both hands", an expression he often used, he answered, "Because I don't have four!" .... (For full article, visit the Worldwide Devotion section at [www.josemariaescriva.info](http://www.josemariaescriva.info)).

## **My encounter with Saint Josemaría Ecrivá**

A recent publication by Alberto Michelini, "La Alegría de los Hijos de Dios" ("The joy of God's children") features accounts by all sorts of different people who, through Saint Josemaría's teachings, have discovered the joy of being children of God, and wish to share it with others. Vickie Amulega, from Nairobi, Kenya, is the mother of five

children and has two full-time jobs....  
(For full article, visit the News  
section at  
[www.josemariaescriva.info](http://www.josemariaescriva.info)).

## **A Study of International Press Coverage of the Canonization of Josemaría Escrivá**

On 21 December 2002 the Pope had a meeting with the Roman Curia to exchange Christmas greetings. In his speech the Holy Father referred to some of the significant events of the year which about to end. The last passages of his speech were on the subject of holiness, the “summit of the ecclesial landscape”. He thanked God for the beatifications and canonizations he had carried out in 2002: those of Pedro de San José de Betancur, Juan Diego and the Oaxaca martyrs which he had celebrated during his visit to Guatemala City and Mexico City; and of Padre Pio de Pietrelcina and Josemaría Escrivá de

Balaguer, celebrated in Rome, which had, the Pope added, “awakened a special echo in public opinion.” .... (For full article, visit the Biographical profile: Canonization section at [www.josemariaescriva.info](http://www.josemariaescriva.info)).

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