

HEALTH UPDATE: JULY 2006

Last March I was diagnosed with Follicular B-Cell Lymphoma and began an intense 24 week chemotherapy program (CVP-R) at UCLA. Fortunately, my version of this cancer is one of the most treatable and has a good prognosis. While the treatment was more intense than I anticipated, my main side effects remained anemia, thinning hair, and a kind of vertigo, which prevented me from saying Mass. I am happy to say that the treatments and prayers have worked. I should return to saying Mass in early August. I am deeply humbled and very grateful for all the prayers that came my way, and I ask that all our prayers continue for anyone who is sick or in need of our support. I also want to especially thank Fr. Peter for arranging so many great priests to come to St. Paschal's to help during this time. Fr. Alex, Fr. Claudio, and Deacon Mitch and Deacon Jim also stepped up to do extra work. I hope that you will thank them as I have!