



*"I will ask the Father, and he will give you...the Spirit of truth."  
-- John 14:16-17*

## Sixth Sunday of Easter April 27, 2008

### ✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✦

<b>Sat 26</b>	7:30a	✦Sister Mgt. Perpetua by Karen M.
	5:30p	✦Pete Urrutia by Eulalie Urrutia
<b>Sun 27</b>	7:30a	✦Mary E. Valine by S.P.R.S.I. #23
	9:30a	Parish
	12:30p	✦Justina Secundino Herrera
	5:30p	Vincent Alvarez (living) by Andrea F.
<b>Mon 28</b>	7:30a	Patty Mutch (birthday) by Bill
<b>Tue 29</b>	7:30a	✦Alex Van Waes by Rachel Davies
<b>Wed 30</b>	7:30a	S.P.C. (living) by wife
	7:00p	no intention
<b>Thus 1</b>	7:30a	✦Msgr. Patrick Nolan by Steve & Isabelle Coonley
<b>Fri 2</b>	7:30a	Special Intention by I.C.
	8:30a	NDS intention
<b>SAT 3</b>	7:30a	Mike & Elaine Stalker (anniv & living) by Lona Stalker
	5:30p	✦Rose Giannotti by Sam Giannotti

### ✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦

<b>Sun 27</b>	9:00a	no intention
	10:30a	no intention

*Pray for the repose of the soul of Mary Valine, Jesse Scudder and for the comfort of their family and friends.*

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Week of April

**Sunday Collection      \$8,181**

*May your faithful generosity bring you blessings of joy, for the Bible says, "God loves a cheerful giver!"*

*--2 Corinthians 9:7*

**FOR SALE: 1997 Ford Expedition SUV, excellent condition, 160,000 miles, \$5,000. For more info, call Newman Center, 342-5180.**

**BRING YOUR CHURCH BULLETIN:** The Breakfast Buzz will give 10% back to Notre Dame School when you bring in your copy of the bulletin and purchase a meal. They serve breakfast and lunch, open from 7am-2pm everyday and are located on the corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> and Cedar.

### ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE

[stjohnthebaptistchico.org](http://stjohnthebaptistchico.org)

Fr. Berg's email: [fatherbrberg@yahoo.com](mailto:fatherbrberg@yahoo.com)

St. John's Office email address: [stjohn33@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stjohn33@sbcglobal.net)



**Catholic Home Missions:** Today's special collection is the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. It also supports Black and Native American Indian missions here in the United States. This Appeal offers Catholics across our country a wonderful opportunity to help fellow Catholics to practice their faith. Over 95 cents of every dollar goes directly to the missions to keep church doors open, to support pastors in their priestly ministry, and to provide basic pastoral services like religious education for children. Please give generously.

**Annual Festa:** The Portuguese Holy Ghost Fatima Club will be holding their annual Festa on Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. The day's festivities will begin with the crowning of the Queens here at St. John's at 9:30am Mass. After Mass, the Festa will proceed to the Portuguese Hall (14<sup>th</sup> St and Broadway). The traditional soupas meal will be served from 11:30am until 1:30pm and then again in the evening from 6-8pm. There will be an auction immediately following the noon meal. Traditional Portuguese music will be played through out the day and evening.

**Boy Scouts Troop #2:** Troop 2 will be hosting a Steak and Prawn Dinner May 3<sup>rd</sup>, Notre Dame School Gym at 6pm. The proceeds will go to Troop 2's camping program and the Camp Lassen building fund. Tickets are \$25 per person. There will be a live auction, silent auction, live entertainment, and a 50/50 raffle. For more information, contact Jim Thorup at 891-0287.

**Mother's Day Brunch:** Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup> from 8am-2pm hosted by the Newman Center. Proceeds will benefit the Torres Shelter and the Newman Center. Buffet menu: quiches, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausages, pancakes, bagels, fresh fruit juices, coffee, tea & mimosas...and a raffle! Tickets are available after all Masses & M-F, 9am-4:30pm at the Newman Center. Tickets also available at Chico Chamber of Commerce (300 Salem St), Lyon's Books (121 W 5<sup>th</sup> St), St. John's or ODS. Cost: Adults \$10, Students & Children (5 and older) \$6, Children 4 and younger are FREE. Tickets at the door, add \$2.



**History Celebration:** We still need your memories, your pictures, and your ideas for the history of our parish from 1978-2008. Let's not allow our memories to fade into oblivion.

Email Cathy O'Toole [cotoole@stjohnthebaptistchico.org](mailto:cotoole@stjohnthebaptistchico.org) or call 893-8760. You can also call the parish office at 343-8741. Thank you to those who have already responded.

**The Pulpit and the Pew** is a beautiful account of our church history from 1878 to 1978. We would like to make the Pulpit and the Pew available on our web site. Is there someone who can help us with this project? We are hoping someone with a high quality scanner will come forward to help make the history of our parish available electronically. If you can help, or if you have any ideas, please call the parish office at 343-8741 or Cathy O'Toole at 893-8760

**Catholic Daughters:** April 30<sup>th</sup>, Birthday Luncheon 11:30am at Scrambles.

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Andrea Florez, Youth Director 530-961-2050

**LIFE TEEN** – What guys/girls wish girls/guys knew about them. This night is all about guys and girls join us Sunday night in the gym immediately following 5:30pm Life Teen Mass.

**MASS** – We are trying to give God our best everyday. CORE and teens are all trying to dress in our Sunday best for Mass and we are offering the chance at a little prize if you do.

**YOUTH HOUSE DROP-IN** – Come hang out with friends from 3-6pm at the Youth House.

**EDGE** – Join us on Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, from 7-8:30pm for a crazy time with your friends. This semester is coming to an end so be sure to come by and say hi.

**XLT** – On Sunday May 4<sup>th</sup> FR. CHRIS is our speaker for our XLT. Please join us to hear about Fr. Chris' vocation, enjoy some time in adoration and praise and worship and of course a free dinner. All of this right after the 5:30pm LIFE TEEN Mass

◆ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ◆

**Women's Ministry Group** will be meeting again at ODS on Thursday May 8<sup>th</sup> at ODS Social Hall from 6:45-9pm. We will be discussing Chapter 8 from the book "Experience Grace in Abundance, Ten Strategies for Your Spiritual Life" by Johnette Benkovic. If you have any questions call Pat Hackney at 342-5528 or Mary Waldorf at 345-8638. You are encouraged to bring your bible with you.

**Catholics Returning Home:** Do you have some family members or friends who have said they miss the Church but afraid to come back because of something that happened in years past? Maybe they had a divorce and are feeling the Church will not accept them back! This program is exactly what they need to be welcomed back home. Call Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 or Sharon Haselton @ 891-5334.

**Holy Spirit Prayer Group:** They meet at 7pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of each month at the Newman Center. For more information call Sharon, 891-5334 or James, 893-2348.



SCRIPTURE STUDY

**Scripture Study/Radio:** Joe Hollcraft is live on AM 930 at 11:00am-12:00 each Saturday and Sunday (re-aired). Joe will have a different guest each week. Each program will be devoted to the readings from the Mass. Due

to Joe Hollcraft's absence over these next two weeks, April 26<sup>th</sup> through May 4<sup>th</sup>, Joe will record a program devoted entirely to understanding the basic principles that surround interpreting scripture in the Church. Be sure not to miss this great opportunity to better understand the Bible and the structure of our faith. E-mail Joe at [jhollmj@yahoo.com](mailto:jhollmj@yahoo.com) if you have any questions about the radio program and/or the Catholic faith.

◆ **CFF: CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION** ◆



**Religious Education Questions**  
Call 343-8741

**UPCOMING SACRAMENTS**

**Confirmation Retreat:** Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5-8pm in the church.

**Confirmation:** Wed, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. Be at the church by 6:30pm



**1<sup>st</sup> Communion:** May 17<sup>th</sup>, 11am in Spanish, 3pm in English. Be there half an hour before.

**Sacramental Parents Classes for First Communion:** May 4 meeting will be held in the gym at 11am, this is when you will be given the information regarding First Communion Day.

◆ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ◆

**"Northern Lights" Community Love Circle:** Next meeting will be on Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup>, in the library starting at 6:30 with a potluck dinner. For more information please call Stephanie or James at 893-2348, email [burkett7@sbcglobal.net](mailto:burkett7@sbcglobal.net)



**Respect for Life Committee:** Please consider going to Planned Parenthood on Vallombrosa on Wednesdays or the Women's Feminist Abortion Center on Humboldt Rd on Fridays. Come anytime from 10am to 4pm to pray for the lives of the unborn children being aborted. **Join the committee for their next meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup>, at 3:30pm in the parish library.**

**Mothers' Prayer Group:** Join other mothers and children for a "pray and play" group every Thursday at 10:30am in the preschool room at ODS. If you have any questions, please call Marijeanne Birchard at 343-6912.



**Marriage Encounter:** Make a great marriage even better! Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Call Stephanie & Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 for more information.

**Natural Family Planning (Creighton model) Classes:** Are you ready to do a great thing for yourself and your marriage? Classes are available right here in Chico. Contact Jackie Hollcraft M.S.; P.A.C. (899-0243).

**Retrouvaille:** This is a program to give hope and help for marriages that are experiencing trouble. For additional information call 1-800-283-5952.

**Healing After Abortion Retreat June 6-8:** Struggling after an abortion? Still seeking peace years after the choice? Experience the healing love of Jesus at Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, June 6-8. The weekend retreat will combine discussions, scripture-based spiritual exercises, sacrament of reconciliation, memorial service and Mass. Open to women, men, couples and family members touch by abortion. The cost is \$175 for meals, private room and all retreat materials. Financial assistance is available. For a registration packet or more information, call Debbie at 916-733-0161. Inquiries and participation are strictly confidential.

**An Open Invitation** for all of the professed Secular Franciscan Order members to attend the newly forming fraternity of SFO at St Thomas More Catholic Church in Paradise. Meetings are held on the first Saturday of the month at 9am. We would love to meet with you and share our journeys. If you are infirmed, homebound or unable to attend please contact Dirk. We wish to have you become part of our Franciscan family. For more information or directions contact Dirk Wohlou SFO at 876-1613.

**Attention prayerful single men:** The Holy Trinity Trappist Monastery in Huntsville, Utah will be hosting two exciting "Live-In Experience" vocational retreats soon. Work and pray with the monks on their 2000-acre farm and enjoy the vocational talks. The dates are June 11-15 and Aug 6-10. There is no cost but space is limited. For more dates and information call 1-800-221-1807.

**North State Rosary Bowl:** On Sat, May 3 at Bishop Quinn High School Stadium the Fuel'd Ministry programs will host the first annual North State Rosary Bowl! Join us at 6pm for a BBQ dinner as well as praise & worship music provided by The Thirsting. Bishop Jaime Soto will preside as we pray a Living Rosary together culminating with a Crowning of Mary. Be sure to bring flowers for the crowning of Mary! For more information, call Mary D'Acquisto at 530-524-2970.

**University of Sacramento** summer session this year will run from June 2<sup>nd</sup> through Aug 11<sup>th</sup>. We invite you to visit our website to see a list of course offerings. For information, applications, and registration forms go to [www.universityofsacramento.org](http://www.universityofsacramento.org). Each course will be held one night per week, from 6-9:35pm for 11 weeks.

**Pilgrimage: (Nov 6<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>)** Join Fr. Enrique Alvarez on his journey to the Holy Land, Jordan, and Egypt. There is no joy like the joy of being in the Holy Land. Walking where Jesus walked, a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, standing on the Mount of Beatitudes, praying in the Garden of Gethsemane and celebrating together at the Tomb over our Lord's resurrection! Then on to Mt. Nebo where Moses stood overlooking the Jordan Valley. From there the trip will continue on to Petra and climb Moses Mountain where God delivered the Ten Commandments. There will also be a visit to St. Catherine Monastery in the Sinai Desert. Please pick up the brochure in the back of the church and consider joining us!

Sun 27	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b> 10:30am-12noon CFF <b>2:30pm Latin Mass</b> 6:45pm Lifeteen
Mon 28	<b>St. Peter Chanel/St. Louis de Montfort</b> 6-8pm English AA 6:30-8pm BSA #2 7pm- 8:30pm Edge 7-9pm Spanish Cursillo
Tues 29	<b>St. Catherine of Siena</b> 6:30p choir 7pm Grupo Carismatico
Wed 30	<b>St. Pius V</b> 6-9pm Spanish AA 7pm BSA #2 (Cafeteria)
Thur 1	<b>The Ascension of The Lord</b> 7pm Rosary
Fri 2	<b>St. Athanasius/First Friday</b> <b>3:30pm Adoration</b> 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat 3	<b>St. Philip and St. James/First Saturday</b> <b>10am Confessions</b>
<b>FIRST MONDAY: ADORATION/EXPOSTION</b>	
<b>Mon May 5<sup>th</sup>.</b>	



**Library Hours:**

**Sunday 8:30-9:30am & 10:30am-12:15pm**  
**Thursday 9-11am**



**LIBRARY NOTICE:** *If you have library materials at home that are overdue, please return them to the parish office or the library so that we may keep them in circulation for others to enjoy. Thank you.*

**Pope Benedict XVI's Prayer Intentions for April**

**General:** *That the Lord may bless the farmers with an abundant harvest and sensitize the richer populations to the drama of hunger in the world*

**Mission:** *That the Christians who work in areas where the conditions of the poor, the weak and the women and children are most tragic, may be signs of hope, thanks to their courageous testimony to the Gospel of solidarity and love.*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26 — 16:4a  
 Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11  
 Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 — 18:1; Jn 16:12-15  
 Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20;  
 Friday: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23  
 Saturday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Jn 14:6-14  
 Sunday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17- 23; Mt 28:16-20

**Liturgy of the Hours -II**

