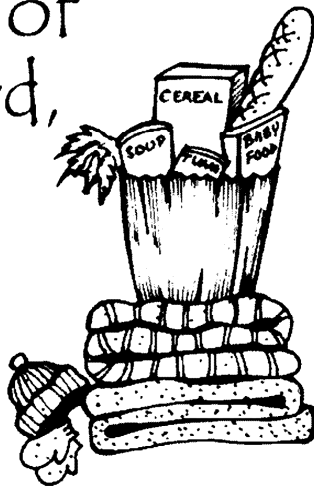


Be doers of
the word,
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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time August 30, 2009

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✦

Sat 29	7:30a	✦Richard Vercruyssen by Rene Vercruyssen
	5:30p	✦Lena Morgado by Wm & Nila Mendonca
Sun 30	7:30a	✦Donald Vosti by Andrea Beauchane
		Joan Vosti (living)
	9:00a	People of God
	10:30a	no intention
	12:30p	✦Elias Arias by Maribel Carrillo
	5:30p	Jim O'Toole (living) by Tom & Janet Blixt
Mon 31	7:30a	✦Fr Ed Callahan
Tues 1	7:30a	✦Heidi Prichard by Bill & Patty Mutch
Wed 2	7:30a	✦Lena Morgado by Dolores Roberts
	7:00p	no intention
Thur 3	7:30a	DJM intentions
Fri 4	7:30a	✦Howard & Jane O'Neill by Agnes O'Neill
Sat 5	7:30a	Myles & Adrienne Pustejovsky
		(living/50 th anniv)
	5:30p	✦Victoria Mota by Maria Correa
		✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦
Sun 30	9:00a	no intention
	10:30a	no intention

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Enrique Quintana, Jose Armando Perez, Lena
Morgado, and for their family and friends.*

4th week of August

<u>Collection</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
August 23 rd	\$7,811	\$6,470
Year to date	\$69,872	\$76,433

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

Thank you to everyone for your generous contributions to Fr. JB Macharia' Mission Appeal for our sister parish in Kiganjo, Kenya. Fr. JB returned home with \$39,522 which he will use for the projects and school tuitions.

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✦ PARISH & SCHOOL NEWS ✦



ADORATION WILL BE THE SECOND MONDAY OF SEPT (THE 14TH) INSTEAD OF SEPT 7TH DUE TO LABOR DAY.

Hospitality Today: Come by the Library after 9am Sunday mass for coffee, tea, juice and a snack. Meet new people and visit with old friends.

Fall Rummage Sale: Sponsored by Catholic Daughters, Oct. 2nd, 8am-5pm and Oct. 3rd, 8am-12noon at ODS Parish Hall. Donation of clean, useable clothing, small household items and books gratefully accepted at ODS Parish Hall on Wednesday, Sept. 30th and Thursday, Oct. 1st between 8am-5pm. Call Nancy Myers, 345-5592 with any questions.

Catholic Ladies Relief Society #3 will hold their first meeting on Tuesday Sept. 1 at 12:30pm starting with social with meeting to follow at 1pm at ODS Social Hall. Summertime is over and we are going to start our monthly meetings for the new year. Any Catholic woman is welcome to join this organization. Our main objective is charitable work for the poor. We run the Chico community Food Locker. To volunteer at the food locker, you do not have to be a member of CLRS#3. If you have any questions, call Sandy at 345-1601 or Yvonne at 898-1266.

Catholic daughters will have a No Host Birthday Luncheon at Country Waffles on Wed Sept 2 at 11:30am. Next meeting will be on Sept 10th at 1pm at ODS. This past year Catholic Daughters, through our various fundraisers, was able to donate \$8,000 to charities. These charities include our local parishes and our sister parishes in Africa as well as many of our local charities. Thank you for your support and please continue to support us.

Festival at St. Thomas More: The Ridge Community Family Festival is being held at St. Thomas More Church – 767 Elliott Road, Paradise from 10am to 4pm on Saturday, September 19th! Entrance and parking are free and there are lots of games, entertainment and food for all ages. Come help support Ridge area ministries, charities and scholarships. See you there!

Prayer for Priests

Dear Lord,

We pray that the blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your priests and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry.

We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5)

May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse.

May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross.

May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen.

Saint John Vianney, pray for us.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Theology of the Body: Broken families, abortion, AIDS, Internet pornography, clergy abuse, homosexual “marriage”— our church and world is in the midst of a profound sexual crisis. Is there a way out? Come to the new “Theology of the Body” series to discover.

“Why is the world so consumed by sex (or lust)? Did nature overload us in the mating department or is something smarter or subtler at work...(Time Magazine Jan 19, 2004).

In this DVD presentation of “Theology of the Body”, Christopher West explains John Paul II revolutionary teaching based on the word of Jesus and the bible which takes us to the root of our modern crisis, putting us on our path to authentic sexual liberation and God’s original plan for our lives. Whether married or single if you are interested in this adult formation, please call Mary Waldorf at 345-8638 to register. The meetings will be from 6:30-8:30pm for 4 weeks on alternating Thursday nights: Sept 17th, Oct 1st, Oct 15th, and Oct 29th at the Newman Center in Chico. The series costs \$12 which includes a workbook.

RCIA **RCIA CLASSES:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults become members of our Catholic faith community. **The first of twelve weekly Inquiry classes begins Thursday, September 3rd.** They are held every Thursday from

7pm-9pm in the upper meeting room of the Parish Office. All are welcome and there is no obligation. For more information contact Deacon Steve Schwartz at 891-0626.



Scripture Study/Radio: Joe Hollcraft is live on AM 930 at 11:00am-12:00 each Saturday and Sunday (re-aired). Tune in to the Catholic Hour, where each week Joe will offer teaching and reflections on the readings from the Mass. In addition to his teachings, Joe’s programming will look at all the important questions that people are asking about the faith today. This week, August 29th and 30th (re-air), Joe will look at section three of the CCC: The Moral Life in Christ. The following week Joe will reflect upon his experience in Oxford with two guests yet to be determined. Please do not hesitate to send Joe any of your questions. You can e-mail Joe at jholljmj@yahoo.com if you have any questions about the radio program and/or the Catholic faith or go to the parish website and click on Joe Hollcraft’s blog.

Women of Grace Women’s Ministry: If you are interested in joining the Great Adventure Bible Study Group we meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at ODS Social Hall from 6:45-9pm. **Next meeting is Sept 10th.** Bring your bible and your Catechism. If you have questions, please call Mary Waldorf at 898-6398.

Rosary Prayer Group: meets on Wed evenings at 7pm, at individual homes. The current Medjugorje message from Our Lady and the commentary are read. If you would like to participate, call 342-2323 or 898-1183.

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



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Thank YOU for supporting Life Teen and EDGE over the Summer we are on a small break planning and praying for our Life Teen and EDGE programs, and families. Please pray for Andrea and Jeremy and all the CORE as we pray together hoping for another amazing year. God Bless.

CFE: CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education Questions - Call 343-8741

REGISTRATION PACKETS HAVE BEEN MAILED
If you didn’t receive one please call the office.

(EVERYONE MUST REGISTER EVERY YEAR)

CFE STARTS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH
SEE YOU THERE!

MARRIAGE & FAMILY



Respect for Life: Health care reform should not include coverage for abortion on demand. Some claim that abortion is not mentioned in the bills, but this does not mean that abortion will not be excluded. Please communicate with Congress and join our National Prayer Campaign. Go to www.PrayerCampaign.org for details. Please consider going to Planned Parenthood on Vallombrosa on Wednesdays or the Women’s Feminist Abortion Center on Humboldt on Fridays. Come any time from 9am to 12 noon.

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. (519-5081)



Marriage Encounter: “...to keep oneself unstained by the world.” (Second Reading) Modern society is not supportive of God-centered marriage/holy orders. Receive needed tools to keep your marriage/holy orders Christ-centered. The next local Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be **September 25-27 in Sacramento, Oct 2-4 Reno, or Oct 16-18 Stockton.** Dates fill fast, so register early. For more dates, locations and information contact Stephanie and Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348.

4th Annual Divine Mercy Conference: When life is crashing...do more than throw up your hands in despair...turn to God's Divine Mercy. Come to the 4th annual Divine Mercy Conference at the Sacramento convention Center on Sept. 12th. Come hear how Divine Mercy impacted the lives of a survivor of US Air Flight 1549 ("Miracle on the Hudson"), a heart-broken performing artist and a young priest who is working to share the message of Divine Mercy-especially with young people. For more information call John Doering at 530-677-2805.

Pastoral Care Retreat for Victims of Childhood

Abuse or Violence: All adults who have been touched or affected by childhood abuse or violence are invited to attend a special retreat. Join us Friday October 2, 2009 for *Healing the Mind, Body and Spirit – a Faith Based Response for Adult Survivors of Childhood Trauma* at Christ the King Retreat Center, 9am-4pm. For more information and registration please contact Esther Castillo at 916-733-0142.

Boy Scout Ad Altare Dei Retreat: Calling out all Catholic Boy Scouts earning the Ad Altare Dei Religious Award. This award is intended for Scouts that have completed the 6th grade and focuses on the Seven Sacraments. The Catholic Committee on Scouting for the Diocese of Sacramento and the Golden Empire Council will be holding a retreat at Marelo Youth Retreat Center on October 16-17, 2009. For more information and to register, please visit: <http://www.gec-bsa.org> and click on Event Registration on the home page.

SAVE THE DATE: 2009 Salute to Life Dinner & Auction, Saturday, November 14 at the Sacramento Convention Center. Annually more than 600 people attend the Sacramento Life Center Dinner & Auction where "Life is saluted" and money is raised! Founded in 1972, the Sacramento Life Center empowers women to choose life for their preborn children by providing free, compassionate counseling and clinical services to abortion-vulnerable women; helping people heal from a past abortion, and fostering a culture of LIFE through community education and outreach.

**Diocese of Sacramento
Immigration Support Network**

Walk to Raise Awareness about the need for immigration Reform: On Sat, Sept 5th, people from Catholic parishes and other faith communities will walk from Southside Park in Sacramento to the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament to call attention to the need from immigration reform. The walk begins at 7am and will conclude with a program at the Cathedral at 8:30am. Everyone is invited to join in support of the US Bishops' call for comprehensive immigration reform. For more information please call Raquel Ruiz 343-8741.

Sun	30	22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon	31	6-8pm English AA
Tues	1	
Wed	2	6-9pm Spanish AA
Thu	3	St. Gregory the Great
Fri	4	First Friday 3:30-4:30 ADORATION 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat	5	First Saturday 10am Confessions

Library Hours & News:

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



Three new items that we hope will pique your interest are:

Faith Like Potatoes - a 2006 film now in DVD about the coming to faith of a young farmer in South Africa. The vistas in this film are sweeping and the real life story is an adventure in the watching.

The Colored Lands - Fairy Stories, Comic Verse and Pictures by G.K Chesterton is perhaps one of the best works that demonstrates not only the immense genius of Chesterton but also his down to earth sense of humor.

Rebuilding a Lost Faith: By an American Agnostic is perhaps the best work on Catholic apologetics (other than the Catechism of the Catholic Church) that has been produced in the past 100 years even if it was published in 1921. Clear and concise this work offers an incredible introduction to your faith that you can then carry out into the world.

EMHC AND LECTOR SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER

TIME	EMHC	LECTOR
5:30pm Sat	Jim Curlin Arlie Hixon Tom Hixon	Karen Monroe Bruce Neadly
7:30am Sun	Jean Mayer Ona Mertens	Yolanda Holt Lyle Anderson
9:00am Sun	Stephanie Beyers Aric Cook Bill McKellar Bill Mutch Diane Smith Barbara Santos	Donna Houston Lori Smith

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30
 Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37
 Wednesday: Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44
 Thursday: Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
 Friday: Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39
 Saturday: Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5
 Sunday: Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37

Liturgy of the Hours Week II

