

*I am the living bread that came down from heaven.
-- John 6:51*

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 9, 2009

✧ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✧

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| Sat 8 | 7:30a | Br. Augustus Rossi (living) by Jane Rabo |
| | 5:30p | Fr Enrique Alvarez (living) |
| Sun 9 | 7:30a | ✧ Mercedes Brunski by Andrea Beauchane |
| | 9:00a | People of God |
| | 10:30a | no intention |
| | 12:30p | ✧ Ramoncito Buenrostro by Buenrostro Family |
| | | ✧ Juana Cardenas by Cardenas Family |
| | 5:30p | no intention |
| Mon 10 | 7:30a | ✧ Abigail Schifferle |
| Tues 11 | 7:30a | ✧ John Frey by Lona Stalker |
| Wed 12 | 7:30a | ✧ Michelle Thompson by Don & Hilda |
| | 7:00p | no intention |
| Thur 13 | 7:30a | ✧ Anna Elizabeth Pilliard |
| Fri 14 | 7:30a | ✧ Tex & Olive Rutledge by Agnes O'Neill |
| Sat 15 | 7:30a | ✧ Leonor Machado Burla |
| | 5:30p | no intention |
| | | ✧ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✧ |
| Sun 9 | 9:00a | no intention |
| | 10:30a | ✧ Maria Guadalupe Casteñedo by Ester Swift |

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Pat Juanarena, Jim Downey, John Ricci, and for their family and friends.

1st week of August

| <u>Collection</u> | <u>Actual</u> | <u>Budget</u> |
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| August 2 nd | \$10,995 | \$12,777 |
| Year to date | \$488,365 | \$584,147 |

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

Pope Benedict's Intentions for August

General prayer intention: That public opinion may be more aware of the problem of millions of displaced persons and refugees and that concrete solutions may be found for their often tragic situation.

Mission intention: That those Christians who are discriminated against and persecuted in many Countries because of the name of Christ may have their human rights, equality and religious freedom recognized, in order to be able to live and profess their own faith freely.

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Kenya Mission Appeal August 8-9: Today Fr. JB Macharia will make his Mission Appeal. Please make checks out to St. John's and write Kenya on the memo line. Thank you and be as generous as possible!

Friday Adoration: Notre Dame School Masses will begin on Friday August 21. Friday Adoration will move back to 3:30pm-4:30pm starting that day.

Catholic Communication- Help Us Connect the World with God's Word! Next weekend's Collection is for the Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC). Through your generous donations, CCC is able to spread the gospel message in our community and all over the world. CCC funds the development of traditional and new media programs that inspire and minister to their audiences. Half of the collection from our diocese stays here to support local communication efforts, while the other half supports national Catholic media initiatives. Please give generously next week to help us spread the Good News.

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.

PRAYER IN YOUR LIFE - A Formation Program for the Laity: In Prayer in Your Life you discover who you are, who you are called to be, and how to deepen and develop your prayer life. Fr. Santan Pinto, S.O.L.T. developed the program: lay people who have been through the training will present an introductory teaching in the parish library at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church on Saturday, August 22. Registration is at 8:15am. There is no charge for this program. The presentation will be from 8:30-10:30am. There will be time for questions after the presentations.

CFF Teachers Needed: St John's Children's Faith Formation Program is in need of two teachers for the 2009-2010 school year. If you feel called to this wonderful ministry please call Raquel Ruiz at 343-8741.

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** ❖

Catholics Returning Home: Have you been away from the church or know someone who wants to return but is not sure how? You are invited to attend the Catholics Returning Home Session starting August 17th, 7-8:30pm Monday evenings. This is a 13 week session set in a comfortable environment. We will be meeting at Our Divine Savior Parish, 566 E. Lassen Ave. in the Parish office-Prayer Room. For more information contact Deacon Burkett at 893-2348 or Sharon Hazelton at 891-5334.

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. This week, Aug 8th and 9th, due to Joe's time in England, Joe will re-air an already recorded program on the role and function of the prophets. Please do not hesitate to send Joe any of your questions. You can e-mail Joe at jhollmj@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 Aug 13th. Bring your bible and your Catechism. We will be studying the book of Luke focusing on Chapters 1-9. Also, please read John 6 and Catechism No. 1384, 1716-1729 and 2052. 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.

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

*Religious Education Questions - Call 343-8741
- UPDATE -*

**REGISTRATION PACKETS HAVE BEEN MAILED
If you didn't receive one please call the office.
(EVERYONE MUST REGISTER EVERY YEAR)**

**Confirmation and First Communion pictures are in
please pick them up at the parish office.**



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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.

❖ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ❖



Respect for Life: Health care reform should not include coverage for abortion on demand. Please communicate with Congress and join our National Prayer Campaign. For details see www.PrayerCampaign.org. 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: "So be imitators of God... and live in love, as Christ loved us..." (Second reading) Let WME help you better live the sacrament of your marriage/holy orders. The next local Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be September 25-27 in Sacramento. Dates fill fast, so register early. For more dates, locations and information contact Stephanie and Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348.



CALENDAR ↔

University of Sacramento: The University of Sacramento is excited to announce the Fall 2009 course offerings in various Catholic Faith Formation programs. Courses include: *Foundations of the Catholic Faith; Marriage & Family; Passing on the Faith in the Modern Age; Scriptural Foundations; and Introduction to the RCIA.* The Foundations of the Catholic Faith is available as an online course. Information and Applications and Registration forms for these programs can be downloaded from www.universityofsacramento.org. If you have any questions, please contact DeAnna at 916-443-4760 ext. 16.

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| Sun | 9 | 19 th Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| Mon | 10 | St. Lawrence 6-8pm English AA |
| Tues | 11 | St. Clare |
| Wed | 12 | St. Jane Frances de Chantal 6-9pm Spanish AA |
| Thu | 13 | St. Pontian/St. Hippolytus 6-10pm Knights of Columbus |
| Fri | 14 | St. Maximilian Mary Kolbe 6-9pm Spanish AA |
| Sat | 15 | The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary 10am Confessions |

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

Library Hours & News:

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



New in the Parish Library:

Three new books and one DVD have recently been donated to the library that might prove interesting for your reading and viewing pleasure.

Jesus Center: On Tuesday, August 25th, at 7:05pm, the Chico Outlaws will be sponsoring “Jesus Center Night at the Net” – a time for family fun and to help feed and shelter the needy among us. Tickets are \$7 each and \$3.50 from each ticket goes to the Jesus Center. Purchase tickets at the Jesus Center or Team Sports. Thank you!

John Paul II and the New Evangelization

This work highlights the 1994 conference on Catholic evangelization featuring such luminaries as the late Avery Cardinal Dulles SJ, Ralph Marin of Renewal Ministries and twenty-one others carrying forth the light of Jesus to the world. A must for all those that believe we have a mission to share our faith.

EMHC AND LECTOR SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST

| TIME | EMHC | LECTOR |
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| 5:30pm Sat | Karen Neadly Dori Terrell Dan Terrell | Tom Hixon Lisa LaRossa |
| 7:30am Sun | Jean Mayer Yolanda Holt Ona Mertens | Marlene Lach John O’Hara |
| 9:00am Sun | Barbara Bertapelle Cathy Boutwell Dan Boutwell Donna Houston Diane Smith Lori Smith | Bill Mutch Claire Johnson |

Privilege of Being a Woman

Noted author Alice von Hildebrand discusses the positive aspects of Catholic Christian feminism. Using both scripture and tradition she outlines the importance of women in the Church, demonstrating the strength of belief they bring to all of us on an every day basis.

Love Letters to My Husband

This heart wrenching work is a compilation of the letters of St. Gianna Molla (wife, doctor, mother) to her husband during their courtship and marriage. A strong remarkable woman who gave her life for the birth of her child, St. Gianna can be viewed in the loving intimacy of her relationship with her husband through these letters.

Through the generosity of a parishioner the DVD documentary *Love is a Choice* the story of St. Gianna Molla, has been donated to replace the missing one.

**Diocese of Sacramento
Immigration Support Network**

Bishop Soto has invited St. John the Baptist parish to join this initiative, directing that the Church should be

- the best source of reliable information for the immigrant communities
- a sign of hope & solidarity for the immigrant communities
- a vehicle for facilitating sensible immigration reform.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26
 Tuesday: Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
 Wednesday: Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20
 Thursday: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21 — 19:1
 Friday: Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12
 Saturday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132;
 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28
Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45;
 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
 Sunday: Prv 9:1-6; Ps 34; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58

