



The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

December 31, 2006

New Years Day
Daily Mass 7:30am
Latin Mass at 12:00pm for
The Solemnity of Mary

✦ PARISH & SCHOOL NEWS ✦

THANK YOU: We would like to thank everyone who took an Angel Tree or Giving Tree name for Christmas. All gifts were received and delivered to the children and the elderly. God Bless!

Calling Single Catholic Men: Have you ever thought about becoming a Catholic Priest? You are invited to attend a Discernment Retreat, 4pm on Friday, Jan 26th through 1pm, Sunday, January 28th 2007 at St. Patrick's Seminary to better understand if a vocation to the ministry of God's priesthood is for you! Single Catholic men, 21 years of age or older, are invited. The weekend is designed to provide the tools needed to help you determine if God might be calling you to a vocation to the priesthood. The Retreat will include prayer, discussion and presentations about the priesthood, group interaction and following the daily routine of a seminarian. For more information please see your parish priest.

Calling All Donors: Notre Dame School would like to invite current and previous donors to our Hispanic Scholarship Program to assist financially needy families. For the past several years, large donations to this program have given many students who would otherwise be unable to attend NDS the opportunity to receive a quality Catholic Education. If you are one who has contributed, or someone who would like to begin to do so, please stop by our office or contact NDS at 342-2502. Thank you, St. John's, for the support you provide your parish school!

Knights of Columbus: "ALL YOU CAN EAT 2007 CRAB FEED!!" Saturday Feb 3, 2007 doors open at 5pm, dinner served at 7pm, raffle at 9pm at St. John's. Donation is \$35. To purchase tickets call Jim Kelly 891-1990, Michael Powell 680-4672, Hector Hernandez 892-1036, Mike Johnson 893-2803, Dan Terrell 899-0101 or you can purchase them at the parish office at St. John's 343-8741. **Tickets will not be sold at the door.** Tickets must be purchased by Jan 15th. There will be a \$10 corkage fee for all wine brought into the crab feed. Come and enjoy a great meal and be entertained by the Chico Children's Choir.

WALK FOR LIFE WEST COAST: Sat Jan 20, 2007. An awesome experience! There is a comfort travel bus that will pick up in Paradise and Chico. For more information or to register and reserve your spot call Erika Sajben 566-1201 or 330-2594. Cost is \$29 per person.

HELP NEEDED!!! The Altar Society is in deperate need of help! The ladies are getting tired or are in ill health and would like to form six teams of two to rotate doing one hour of work on Saturday mornings. There is no heavy work involved just care of altar and sanctuary. Please call Karen at the parish office for more information.

Catholic Ladies Relief Society: Meeting date has changed from Jan 2nd to Jan 9th at 12:00pm, ODS Parish Hall. It will be a Fiesta time. We are having soup, chili and an auction. Donation will be \$5 for lunch. Meeting will follow lunch. For more information call Yvonne at 898-1266 or Sandy at 345-1601.

Catholic Daughters January Calendar: First Friday Mass Jan 5th at St. John's 7:30am. Jan 11th meeting/luncheon (chili for \$1) at ODS 12pm. Tickets are available for our anniversary luncheon Jan 25th at ODS. Mass at 11am followed by luncheon catered for \$11 (prepaid). Send checks to Sandy Campbell, 3747 Hicks Lane, Chico 95973. Catholic Daughters dues are \$20. Mail to Sylvia Dabner, 757 Cessna Ave. Chico 95928. Call Lil 342-3008 for more information.

Women's Weekend Retreat: Women, sign up now for our parish retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center for the weekend of Jan 26-28. You will have quiet space and inspiring talks to help you see your life more clearly. You'll find rest and relaxation too! For reservations call Lyn Dorenzo 891-8026 or Rita Staring 895-1214 or the Retreat Center at 916-725-4720.

Men's Weekend Retreat: First call for the men of the parish to our annual retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center on the



✦ Mass Intentions ~St. John the Baptist ✦	
Sat 30	7:30a ✦ Ed Dabrowski by Norleen Manwill 5:30p Tom Hixson (B' day) by Arlie Hixson
Sun 31	7:30a ✦ Loren & Lucille Godwin by Emilene Souza 9:30a People of God 11:00a Special Intention 12:30p no intetion 5:30p Tiffany Rosales (B' day)
Mon 1	7:30a Jeff & Elena Heaney (25 th Anniv) by Pat Ahern
Tue 2	7:30a ✦ Caitlin Egert by anonymous
Wed 3	7:30a Cara & Noel Carvalho (living/Anniv) Carolyn Dorenzo 7:00p ✦ Rusty Beauchane by Andrea Beauchane
Thurs 4	7:30a ✦ Don Heffren by Bev Levin
Fri 5	7:30a ✦ Bruce Newcomb by Lori Smith 8:45a NO MASS (VACATION)
Sat 6	7:30a Special Intention by DJM 5:30p Bill & Patty Dorfler (25 th Anniv)
Mass Intentions ~St. James	
Sun 31	9:00 a Missionaries of Mercy 10:30a ✦ Fr. Tony Maio

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Arlene Borges, Mike Hutter, and for their family and friends.

FIRST MONDAY: ADORATION/EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT is tomorrow Monday, January 1st

8am – noon*
 Sign-ups are in the vestibule.
 All hours must be covered.

Come spend a Holy Hour with Jesus



OFFERING TOTAL FOR 4th WEEK OF DECEMBER

Budget amount needed weekly	\$12,680.00
Sunday Collection amount	\$ 6,303.00
Christmas offerings	\$19,923.00

Thank you for your generosity

BRING YOUR CHURCH BULLETIN: Five and Eye restaurant on the corner of 5th St. and Ivy will give 10% back to our church when you bring in your bulletin and purchase a meal! They are open for breakfast, lunch and dinner!

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE
stjohnthebaptistchico.org

weekend of Feb 23-25. Space is limited, so call now and make your reservation. Call Allan Forbes 342-5493, John Suthoff 343-4040 or the Retreat Center at 916-725-4720. Don't miss out!

Natural Family Planning (Creighton model) classes are available right here in Chico. Contact Jackie Hollcraft P.A.- C. (899-0243).



www.chicolifeteen.org

Andrea Florez, Youth Director
530-961-2050

PARENTS if you are interested in helping with snacks, with set-up, or clean-up and you have NOT already signed-up please call me at the number listed above to put yourself on the list.

Happy New Years! Both LIFE TEEN and EDGE Youth Ministries are on a Christmas Break too!

If you have any questions or would like more information about our programs please call Andrea.

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

Religious Education Questions
Call Jason Van Buskirk 343-8741
Email: jvanbuskirk@stjohnthebaptistchico.org

No CFF for Sunday, December 31st.
A very Blessed and Happy New Year to everyone! CFF will resume as usual Sunday, January 7th.

Mandatory Sacrament Parents' Class: The next Sacrament Parents' Class is Tuesday, January 9th from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Upper Meeting Room. Only parents going through our program for the 1st time are required to attend all the monthly classes, though all are encouraged and welcomed. Child Care during this class is now available!

RCIA Adapted for Children: Sacrament Preparation for kids in grades 2-6 who need to be baptized, AND, children in grades 3-6 who need to receive 1st Confession and/or 1st Communion. Next Class is Friday, January 5th from 6:30-7:30pm in the Parish Office.

Youth Sacrament Program (Sacrament Preparation for Youth in grades 7-12): Classes are on Weds, from 4:30-6pm in the Parish Office Upper Meeting Room.

Deaf CFF: Please call Jason Van Buskirk if interested at 343-8741.

✧ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ✧

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Northern Lights Love Circle: Next meeting will be on Saturday January 6th at St. John's starting at 6:30 with a potluck dinner followed by a talk. For more information please call Stephanie or James at 893-2348, email burkett7@sbcglobal.net

Catholic Marriage Enrichment Group: Next meeting will be on Jan 3rd at 6:45pm. All Catholic married couples are welcome. For information, call Debbie Weinrich, MSW at 342-2878 ext 2.

Catholic Women's Ministry: Next meeting will be on Jan 11th, 6:45-9pm at ODS Social Hall. Call Debbie Weinrich at 342-2878 ext 2.

Marriage Encounter: Make a great marriage even better! Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Upcoming weekends will be Feb. 16 - 18; April 20-22; June 22-24 in Sacramento. For more information call Stephanie & Deacon James Burkett 893-2348.

Retrouaille: This is a program consisting of a weekend experience and 6 post-weekend sessions designed to give hope and help for marriages that are experiencing trouble. The next weekend in Sacramento will be February 9-11 2007. For additional information, go to www.retrouaille.org or call 1-800-283-5952.

✧ **CALENDAR** ✧

Sat 30	The Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas 9-11am Pro-Life Prayer Group 10am Confessions
Sun 31	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph
Mon 1	Mary, Mother of God 8am - noon Adoration/Exposition 12pm Latin Mass Happy New Years! OFFICE CLOSED
Tues 2	St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory Nazianzen OFFICE CLOSED NO Choir practice
Wed 3	The Most Holy Name of Jesus 6-9 Spanish AA 7pm Spanish Mass
Thur 4	St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 7pm Rosary Prayer Group
Fri 5	St. John Neumann/First Friday 6-7am Men's Bible Study (ODS) 3:30-4:30pm Adoration 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat 6	Blessed Andre Bessette/First Saturday 9-11am Pro-Life Prayer Group 10am Confessions

✧ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ✧

Have you received the Sacrament of Confirmation? Bishop Francis Quinn will be at the Newman Center in Chico May 20th at 2pm to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is an opportunity for Catholic adults (especially high school and college students) to receive this gift of the Holy Spirit. Preparation for this Sacrament will begin in February. The first meeting is at 4pm on Feb 4th in the Newman Center Library or if you can make this meeting there will also be one on Thurs. Feb 8th (same place). We will be using the newly published United States Catholic Catechism for Adults. Call Tim Gannon at 680-1314 with any questions. Hope to see you!

Catholics Returning Home: ODS, St. John's and Newman Center will conduct an ongoing session called CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME for 13 consecutive weeks. The session will begin Mon Feb 5th 2007 from 7-8:30pm at St. John's. These sessions are for non-practicing Catholics who are seeking answers to questions about returning to the Church. . Please contact Deacon Burkett at 893-2348, 343-4248 or Sharon Haselton 343-8741.

Scripture Study/Radio: Joe Hollcraft will be returning to his live show (The Catholic Hour) on January 13th airing every Saturday (live) and Sunday (recorded) at 11:00am-12:00 on AM 930. Each program will be devoted to the readings from the Mass. Don't miss this great opportunity to better understand the bible and our faith. Joe will make a formal announcement in the future when he returns to the local Scripture study.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
Tuesday:	1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28
Wednesday:	1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Jn 1:29-34
Thursday:	1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42
Friday:	1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51
Saturday:	1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11
Sunday:	Is 60:1-6; Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

