

# Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



**February 4, 2007**

*I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with all my heart, for you have heard the words of my mouth. -- Psalm 138:1*

✠ **Mass Intentions ~St. John the Baptist** ✠

<b>Sat 3</b>	7:30a	<b>special intention</b>
	5:30p	✠ <b>Manuel Bettencourt</b> by Diane Bettencourt
<b>Sun 4</b>	7:30a	✠ <b>Nancy Stapp</b>
	9:30a	<b>People of God</b>
	12:30p	<b>Calderon Chavez Family</b> by Yolanda Zavala
	5:30p	<b>Adrienne Carleson (living)</b>
<b>Mon 5</b>	7:30a	✠ <b>Rusty Beauchane</b> by Andrea B.
<b>Tue 6</b>	7:30a	<b>The Bertoli Family</b> by Juanita Bertoli
<b>Wed 7</b>	7:30a	✠ <b>Ed Monahan</b> by Mary Bennett
	7:00p	no intention
<b>Thurs 8</b>	7:30a	✠ <b>Arline Borges</b> by Evelyn Mendonca
<b>Fri 9</b>	7:30a	<b>Rita Crowley (living)</b> by Casey O'Brien
	8:45a	no intention
<b>Sat 10</b>	7:30a	✠ <b>Loren &amp; Lucille Godwin</b> by Lawrence & Emiline Rose
<b>Family</b>	5:30p	✠ <b>Harry Cinquini</b> by Cinquini

**Mass Intentions ~St. James**

<b>Sun 4</b>	9:00 a	no intention
	10:30a	✠ <b>Victoria Meza</b> by Oliva Meza

**17<sup>th</sup> Annual Catholic Appeal:** Sunday February 17-18. You may have already received information in the mail about the importance of the Annual Catholic Appeal. Bishop Weigand asks us to please give generously. Older people, foster teens, children, working families, immigrants, pregnant women, homeless and the mentally ill find relief and a chance for a better future through programs supported by the Appeal. 25% comes back to our parish for our own programs for families and individuals who need help. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that "the Eucharist commits us to the poor." The Annual Catholic Appeal is a wonderful way to help others. Please consider offering a 9-month pledge this year if you are able. Envelopes are available at the parish office if you did not receive one by mail. Envelopes can be dropped in the Sunday collection or mailed to the Appeal.

**FIRST MONDAY: ADORATION/EXPOSTION**

**OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**  
after 7:30am Mass  
through 6:45pm Benediction.  
Sign-ups are in the vestibule.  
All hours must be covered.

Come spend a Holy Hour with Jesus

✠ **PARISH & SCHOOL NEWS** ✠

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** This past summer the diocese required us to change to a new data base and because of the change some of our families have been inadvertently dropped from our system. If you have stopped receiving your monthly donation envelopes, please call the office at 343-8741 so that we can solve this problem. We apologize for any inconvenience this has caused.

**PALMS:** Please bring in last years palms for ashes. We have a basket in the back of the church. Ash Wednesday is Feb 21<sup>st</sup>. Thank you!



**Respect for Life Committee** will have their next meeting on Feb 19<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-5pm in the office library.

**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!



**Torres Shelter:** If you are interested in helping as an individual or as a group, the following dates are when meals will be needed at the Torres Shelter: Feb 14<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. Please call Jerry Converse at 342-2134 to volunteer.

**Catholic Daughters:** The February meeting will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup>, 1pm at ODS. Our Birthday Luncheon will be held on February 28<sup>th</sup>, 11:30am at Kalico Kitchen. Call Lil at 342-3008 if you have any questions.

**Marysville Deanery Meeting:** Wednesday February 14<sup>th</sup> at ODS. Registration will start at 10:30am followed by mass at 11:00am. Lunch will be served (cost \$4) concluding with the Deanery Meeting. All Catholic women are welcome! Please RSVP to Flo at 896-0249.

**Catholic Ladies Relief Society #3 Chico:** will hold their monthly meeting on February 6<sup>th</sup>. Social at 12:30pm, meeting at 1:00pm at ODS Social Hall. Call Yvonne Hawkins 898-1266.

**Deaf CFF:** A priest with a special ministry to the Deaf Community, Fr. Thomas Coughlin, will be in Chico on Sunday February 18<sup>th</sup> to Concelebrate at the 5:30pm Lifeteen Mass. Look for more details in next week's bulletin.

**OFFERING TOTAL FOR 4<sup>th</sup> WEEK OF JANUARY**

<b>Budget amount needed weekly</b>	<b>\$12,680.00</b>
Sunday Collection amount	\$ 8,548.00

Thank you

**ST. JOHN' S WEBSITE**  
**stjohnthebaptistchico.org**

Fr. Brent' s email: [frbrent@stjohnthebaptistchico.org](mailto:frbrent@stjohnthebaptistchico.org)

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



[www.chicolifeteen.org](http://www.chicolifeteen.org)

Andrea Florez, Youth Director 530-961-2050

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

**PARENTS, WE NEED YOUR HELP!** Please sign-up to help with snacks and environment (no artistic ability required). We are inviting parents to support youth ministry in a vital way. By bringing a snack and/or helping to make simple posters from the designs provided by the Core teams. To help please call Roberta Seibert at 343-8741 or 895-0170.

**LIFETEEN – SUPERBOWL** this Sunday Feb 4<sup>th</sup>. Join us at 2:30pm in the upper meeting room for the SuperBowl, food, and games. Upcoming "Blind Date" Feb 11<sup>th</sup>.

**Cry The Gospel High School Retreat**, February 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> permission slips available in the parish office. \$65.00 (scholarships available).

**EDGE – R-E-S-P-E-C-T:** How do you show respect to the people around you? Join us on Monday Feb 5<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30pm at the ODS Social Hall. Upcoming: RUTH-less Feb 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Youth Mission Trip to Mexico:** The Diocese of Sacramento Youth Office is collaborating with the Los Embajadores Missionary Program to take 24 teens and 6 adults from our Diocese to Tijuana, Mexico in July 2007. Grounded in service work, the program is a week-long experience that serves as a conduit for building relationship with the Mexican people, allows the youth to learn how to form a supportive and interdependent community, and gain a firmer understanding of the social justice issues that underlie poverty. The cost for the week is \$350. Participation is based on an Application process and is open to high school students currently in grades 9-12. If you are interested in joining us, please contact the Diocesan Youth Office at 916-733-0152 or St. John's parish office for an application for the program. Hurry as space is limited!

who need to receive 1<sup>st</sup> Confession and/or 1<sup>st</sup> Communion. Next Class is Friday, Feb 16<sup>th</sup> 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 343-8741 if interested.

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✧ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ✧

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**MARRIAGE PREPARATION CLASS AT THE CHICO NEWMAN CENTER:** A two day preparation class for the Sacrament of Marriage will be offered at the St. Thomas Aquinas Newman Center on Saturday Feb 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, from 10am -5pm each day. **Couples must attend both classes to receive their certificate.** Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Cost is \$125 per couple. For registration, please call 342-5180.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Northern Lights Love Circle:** Next meeting will be on Saturday March 3<sup>rd</sup>, at St. John's UMR (NDS) 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](mailto:burkett7@sbcglobal.net)

**Catholic Marriage Enrichment Group:** Next meeting will be at St. John's on Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 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 Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, 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](http://www.retrouaille.org) or call 1-800-283-5952.

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

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

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**Religious Education**

**Religious Education Questions**  
Call 343-8741

**Mandatory Sacrament Parents' Class:** The next Sacrament Parents' Class is Tuesday, February 13<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Upper Meeting Room. Only parents going through our program for the 1<sup>st</sup> time are required to attend all the monthly classes, though all are encouraged and welcome. 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

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❖ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ❖

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**Have you received the Sacrament of Confirmation?** Bishop Francis Quinn will be at the Newman Center in Chico May 20<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> in the Newman Center Library or if you can not make this meeting there will also be one on Thurs. Feb 8<sup>th</sup> (same place). We will be using the newly published United States Catholic Catechism for Adults. Call Tim Gannon at 680-1314 with any questions.

**Catholics Returning Home:** Are you a Catholic who has been away from Church and just does not understand, what has changed or why? Do you need to receive the Sacraments of the Church? Come Monday Feb 5<sup>th</sup> from 7-8:30pm at St. Johns Parish Office. Please contact Deacon Burkett at 893-2348, 343-4248 or Sharon Haselton 343-8741 for more information.

**Scripture Study/Radio:** Joe Hollcraft is live on AM 930 at 11:00am-12:00 each Saturday and Sunday (re-aired). Each program will be devoted to the readings from the Mass. Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> will highlight the Apostolic Church. Feb 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> will highlight the Beatitudes. 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.

**WORLD YOUTH DAY...AUSTRALIA...JULY 2008:** Pilgrims from the Diocese of Sacramento will be joining over a million others and the Pope for this incredible event. The trip is open to young adults (out of high school and over the age of 18—by the time of the trip) and will feature days in the Diocese of Auckland, New Zealand prior to the week of World Youth Day events in Sydney, Australia. The dates of the Pilgrimage are July 7-22, 2008. The cost of the Pilgrimage is \$3550, with a \$300 deposit due to register. Please contact the Diocesan Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry at 916-733-0152 for more information.

✦ **AROUND THE DIOCESE and beyond** ✦

**Save the Date!** Society of St Vincent de Paul's Dinner with Bishop Quinn – The Society of St. Vincent de Paul/Sacramento Council is honoring Bishop Quinn for his years of devotion to the poor on Thursday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, at the Hilton Hotel in Sacramento. Proceeds from the dinner will benefit the poor through the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. For more information, please contact Christine Cipperly at 916-492-6396.

**Men's Weekend Retreat:** Un-plugged and Re-Charging! Time to get things back in perspective? Time to take a deep breath? Time to enjoy the beauty in nature? Then it is time to make a retreat with the men of the parish. Feb 23-25. Space is limited, so call now and make your reservation. Call Allan Forbes 342-5493, John Sutthoff 343-4040 or the Retreat Center at 916-725-4720. Don't miss out!

**Beginning Experience Weekend:** The "Beginning Experience of Sacramento" support group is offering a special weekend program of healing, hope and encouragement for divorced, separated or widowed persons of all faiths. The weekend retreat is Friday, Feb 16<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, Feb 18<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat Center. For more information or to request an application, please call 916-835-2282 or visit our website at: [www.sacramentobe.org](http://www.sacramentobe.org)

**Healing After Abortion Retreat:** Struggling after an abortion? Still seeking peace years after the choice? Experience the healing love of Jesus at Rachel's Vineyard Retreat **March 30<sup>th</sup> -April 1<sup>st</sup>**, in Auburn, sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento. The weekend retreat will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, sacrament of reconciliation, memorial service and Mass. The cost is \$150 for meals, private room and all retreat materials. Financial assistance is available. For a registration packet or more information, call Edie at 916-733-0161, or email [esickman@diocese-sacramento.org](mailto:esickman@diocese-sacramento.org). Inquiries and participation are strictly confidential.

**Multilingual/Multicultural Workshop:** If you would like to strengthen the bonds between the diverse cultures of your faith community, then Sacred Heart Parish in Anderson has a workshop designed just for you. Nationally known bilingual liturgist and composer, Pedro Rebalcava, through the use of storytelling, lecture, group sharing/discussion and music, will present a two-day clinic (Feb 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>) outlining the guidelines for planning and implementing multilingual/multicultural liturgical celebrations. The cost is \$10 per person. If interested you can pick up a registration form at the parish office. For more details, please call 343-8741.

**Pilgrimage to Lourdes & Italy** Nov 5 – 15, 2007, price \$2,449. Fr. Vincent Juan will be hosting the pilgrimage. For more information call (530) 335-2372 or for the application and brochure check the website [www.stfrancisburney.org](http://www.stfrancisburney.org)

**Pilgrimage to Poland & Italy:** "In the Footsteps of Pope John Paul II" April 16-30. Complete price \$3,495 includes the following services: Round Trip airline tickets, all accommodations (double occupancy in hotels) with 3 meals a day, all transportation, sightseeing, guide services, entrance fees to all attraction, taxes and cancellation insurance. For more details call Rev. Stanislaw at 510-336-0698 or Andre Sobczyk at 408-229-1950.

✦ **CALENDAR** ✦

<b>Sat 3</b>	<b>St. Blaise</b> 9-11am Pro-Life Prayer Group 10am Confessions <b>5:30pm K of C Feed</b>
<b>Sun 4</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 10:45am-12pm CFF LIFETEEN after 5:30 mass
<b>Mon 5</b>	<b>St. Agatha</b> <b>8AM-7PM ADORATION/EXPOSTION</b> 7pm Jr. Life at ODS 6-8pm English AA
<b>Tues 6</b>	<b>St. Paul Miki and his companions</b> 6:30pm Choir practice
<b>Wed 7</b>	6-9 Spanish AA 7pm Spanish Mass 7pm BSA #2
<b>Thur 8</b>	<b>St. Jerome Emiliani</b> <b>6-10pm K of C</b> 7pm Rosary Prayer Group
<b>Fri 9</b>	6-7am Men's Bible Study (ODS) <b>3:30-4:30pm Adoration</b> 6-9pm Spanish AA
<b>Sat 10</b>	<b>St. Scholastica</b> 9-11am Pro-Life Prayer Group 10am Confessions



**Library Hours:**

**Sunday** following the 9:30am mass to 12:15pm  
**Wednesday** 9-noon  
**Thursday** 9-noon

**Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church:** What is it? It's a summary of the Catechism, focusing on the key elements of the Catholic Faith, formatted with a question and answer approach. It is not meant to replace either the Catechism or textbooks but to help make the Catholic Faith as accessible as possible for the next generation of the Faithful. We have a new shipment of them available in the Parish office for only \$12.

**Catechisms of the Catholic Church** are also available in the Parish office for \$15 (a 25% discount).

**United States Catholic Catechism for Adults:** is a unique and groundbreaking guide for those who seek to deepen their Catholic faith. Each chapter starts with a story or lesson of faith which are then related to Catholic teachings, the Catechism and to American culture. If you are interested in purchasing one they are available at the Parish office for \$20.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

**Monday:** Gn 1:1-19; Mk 6:53-56  
**Tuesday:** Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Mk 7:1-13  
**Wednesday:** Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17; Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Mk 7:24-30  
Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Mk 7:31-37  
Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Mk 8:1-10  
Sunday: Jer 17:5-8; Ps 1; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20;  
Lk 6:17, 20-26

**Liturgy of the Hours I**

2/04/07