



**The Epiphany of the Lord
January 3, 2010**

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✦

Sat 2	7:30a	DJM Intentions
	5:30p	✦Jose Mendes & Joseph Amado by Amado Family
Sun 3	7:30a	✦Pat & Merl Larson (living) by O'Brien Family
	9:00a	People of God
	10:30a	no intention
	12:30p	✦Arnulfo Cervantes (living) by Natalia Cervantes
	5:30p	✦Jim O'Toole & family by CSUC Econ Dept.
Mon 4	7:30a	✦Dorene Paetz by Duane Paetz
Tues 5	7:30a	✦Bruce Newcomb by Lori Smith
		✦Lucille Jockenhofer by Sajben Family
Wed 6	7:30a	✦John Reginato by Rosina Reginato
	7:00p	no intention
Thur 7	7:30a	✦Vivian Clement by Schaeffer Family
Fri 8	7:30a	✦Ann VanDiemen by Ahern Family
Sat 9	7:30a	Loretta R. (living)
	5:30p	✦Arguela Amparo (living) by Neadly Family
		✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦
Sun 3	9:00a	✦Claire Grzanich by Grzanich Family
	10:30a	no intention

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Jim O'Toole, Mary Grzanich, Miguel Rangel, and for their family and friends.

4th week of December

<u>Collection</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
December 27	\$9,782	\$7,280
Year to date	\$223,043	\$234,954

Christmas Collection: \$16,752
(St. James total for Dec 27: (\$479)

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

Calling all Adorers:

Monday, January 4th, is our next 24 hour Adoration which will be held in the church as usual. The Adoration Chapel will not be ready yet. As soon as it is ready we will have a parish wide sign-up for Perpetual Adoration. For more information contact Erika Sajben at 330-2594, Javier Lopez at 566-0358, or the parish office at 343-8741.



Christmas Flowers: Thank you to all who made a donation for the beautiful flowers which made the altar radiant for Christmas!

Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast: Please come and support our Knights on Sunday, January 17 from 8:30-11am. Enjoy pancakes, ham or sausage, eggs, coffee and juice. Cost: Adults \$6, Children under 12 \$3 and a family of five or more \$20.

The 6th Annual March for Life/San Francisco 2010

UP-DATE: The cost of the trip to S.F. is \$45 per person which is due and payable in full no later than Jan 12, 2010. Method of payment may be by check; cashiers check; or cash. You may want to bring snacks and water for your trip since there will be no breakfast stop. There will be, however, a dinner stop at a fast food restaurant on the way home. Please be at St. John's by 4am, Saturday, January 23. Bus departs promptly at 4:15am. Come prepared for inclement weather. For information or questions please contact Maureen T. Burns at 530-514-8292 or evenings at 530-342-8458. Sorry for the short notification but we MUST apply and pay for the bus and a San Francisco bus parking permit by Jan 14. Pray before each step you take as you prepare to peacefully proclaim our message in even greater numbers this coming year. **PLEASE NOTE:** There is a **REQUIRED** information form which must be completed by each person at the time of registration & payment. You may complete the form and make registration payment at St. John's parish office at 343-8741.

Chico Catholic Consolation Ministry is sponsoring an educational/support series for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one starting on Tuesday, January 12 for 8 consecutive weeks from 6:30-8pm. It will be held at ODS in the Education/Office Building. For more information or to register, call Karen Monroe - 343-8741, Mimi Atkins - 342-4248, Lyn Dorenzo - 342-7002 or Lisa LaRossa at 518-7524. Class size is limited so please register early. Transportation available if needed.

Women's Weekend Retreat: You are invited to experience rest and renewal as you grow closer to God through liturgy and prayer, silence & solitude, conversation & contemplation, sacrament & song. Join us this year on the weekend of Jan 29-31, 2010 at Christ the King Passionist Retreat Center in Citrus Heights. For reservations call Rita Staring 530-895-1214 or the Retreat Center at 916-725-4720.

Catholic Ladies Relief Society #3, Chico will hold their annual soup luncheon and silent auction on Tuesday, January 5, at 12:30 pm at Our Divine Savior Social Hall, 566 E. Lassen Ave. This meeting is open to any Catholic woman who desires to join our organization in helping the poor of our community. The meeting will follow the luncheon. For more information call Sandy, 345-1601 or Yvonne 898-1266. We look forward to a new year and many blessings to come.

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE

stjohnthebaptistchico.org

Fr. Berg's email: fatherbrberg@yahoo.com

❖ ADULT FAITH FORMATION ❖



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 a teaching and reflection 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, January 2nd and 3rd (re-air), Joe will look at the Epiphany. Principle subject matter will include a closer look at the Magi and the manger. The following week, Joe will consider the Baptism of Jesus.** Please do not hesitate to send Joe any of your questions. You can e-mail Joe at jholljnj@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.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S MINISTRY: If you are a woman in search of fellowship we are starting another segment of our study of the bible. We meet in the Knights of Columbus room in the social hall at ODS from 6:45pm to 9 pm. To get all the details call Mary Waldorf at 345-8638.

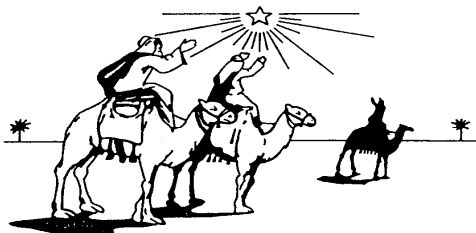
Rosary Prayer Group: meets on Wed evenings at 7pm, at individual homes. The current Medjugorje message from Our Lady and the commentary are read. If you would like to participate, call 342-2323 or 898-1183.

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

Parent Sacrament Class: The next class is January 17th. The topic will be the Mass. This is one of the mandatory meetings for all parents who have a child making their First Communion or Confirmation.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52
 Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Lk 4:14-22a
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30
 Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ps 29

Liturgy of the Hours Week II



Coordinator of Youth Ministries, Andrea Florez
chicolifeteen@gmail.com 530-961-2050

Happy New Year! See you on January 10th.

❖ MARRIAGE & FAMILY ❖



Respect for Life: Everyone is welcome to go to Planned Parenthood on Vallombrosa on Wednesdays and/or the Women's Feminist Abortion Center on Humboldt on Fridays, and pray for the mothers, fathers, and the safety of the unborn babies. Also pray for the conversion of those committing gruesome violence to the babies and mothers. Come anytime from 9 am 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: The next local Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be **Feb 12-14 in Sacramento, April 16-18 in Stockton and April 23-25 in Sacramento. Early registration is highly recommended.** Contact Stephanie and Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 or email burkett7@sbcglobal.net for more information.

❖ CALENDAR ❖

Sun	3	The Epiphany of the Lord NO CFF
Mon	4	St Elizabeth Ann Seton 24 Hour Adoration 6-8pm English AA
Tues	5	St. John Neumann
Wed	6	Blessed André Bessette 6-9pm Spanish AA Boy Scouts Troop #2
Thu	7	St. Raymond of Peñafort
Fri	8	6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat	9	10am Confessions

Library Hours & News:

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



*An old custom at this time of year is to return those things you borrowed by New Years eve so you owe no one when the year begins on January 1st. Now would be a good time to look under the bed, in the kids room, on a book shelf or your video/DVD rack to see if you have forgotten to get that parish library items back to them. We currently have about 200 outstanding items. And while we are at it, the Parish Library staff wish you all a blessed New Year.
 Marlene, Kathe, Carolyn and John*

EMHC AND LECTOR SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY

TIME	EMHC	LECTOR
5:30pm Sat	Arlie Hixson Dan Terrell Dori Terrell	Jerry Angrisani Al Lenzi
7:30am Sun	Ona Mertens Jean Mayer Yolanda Holt	Regina Felipe Katie Schwartz
9:00am Sun	Ernie Behr Stephanie Beyers Aric Cook Dan Boutwell Barbara Santos Bill McKellar	Diane Smith Bill Mutch