



Second Sunday in Ordinary Time January 15, 2006

We have found the Messiah

WATCHING FOR THE MESSIAH

Today's Gospel story of John and his disciples seeing and following Jesus sounds so simple and casual, it's easy to miss the significant acts of faith that are made.

John points to Jesus: "Look," he says, "there is the Lamb of God." John's faith in Jesus is evident, so evident that John's disciples immediately leave his side to follow this Jesus.

The two disciples make their own act of faith. They follow Jesus, spend time with him, and are quick to spread the good news of their discovery: "We have found the Messiah."

It is easy to forget that the expectations of generations, the hopes of many ages of faithful people were being fulfilled in these simple acts of faith. The Lamb of God, the Messiah, foretold by the prophets, had finally come. Nearly everyone among the Jewish people was watching for the Messiah back then; who in our own society watches for signs of the presence of the Messiah today?

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Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you.
— 1 Corinthians 6:19a

✠ Mass Intentions ~St. John the Baptist ✠

Sat 14	7:30a	Lona Stalker's grandchildren & great grandchildren (living)
	5:30 ✠	Millie Dabrowski (✠)
Sun 15	7:30a ✠	Josephine Frey (✠)
	9:30a	For the People of God
Latin	11:00a	Special Intention
Spanish	12:30p ✠	Fances B. Perez (✠)
	5:30p ✠	Rusty Beauchane (✠)
Mon 16	7:30a	Lona Stalker's Godchildren (living)
Tues 17	7:30a	Luis Miguel Correa Jr. (living, birthday)
Wed 18	7:30a	Charlie Woodbury (living)
Spanish	7:00p	
Thurs 19	7:30a	Shelly Buchanan (living)
Fri 20	7:30a ✠	Louie Iannone (✠)
School	8:45	
Sat 21	7:30a ✠	Colleen Howard (✠)
Vigil	5:30p ✠	Connie Fernandes (✠)
Sun 22	7:30p ✠	Louis Ianonne (✠)
	9:30a	For the People of God
Spanish	12:30p ✠	Esteban Nava (✠)
	5:30p ✠	Marguerite Guignier (✠)

✠ Mass Intentions ~St. James ✠

Sun. 15	9:00a	Faye Spazetti (ill)
	10:30a	

✠ Indicates deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Rusty Beauchane, Maria Enriques, Joseph Dudek and for their families.

Sat. 14 BVM

Confessions 10-11am

Sun. 15 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tridentine Mass 11:00am

Please note that the Tridentine mass time is changed to 11:00am
No LifeTeen tonight

Mon. 16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Holiday - the office is closed

No LifeTeen tonight

Tues. 17 St. Anthony

Choir 6:30p

CFF Parent's Sacrament Class 7-8p

Wed. 18 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Jan 18-25)

A.A. en Español

7pm Misa

Coro 7p

Boy Scouts 7p

Thurs. 19

Legión de Maria 7p

Sons of Italy 6-9 - cafeteria

Rosary 7p in church

Fri. 20 St. Fabian, St. Sebastian

A.A. en Español

Adoration 3:30-4:30p in church

NDS girls basketball tournament 3-9p

Sat. 21 St. Agnes

Confessions 10-11am

Spanish CFF 12-2pm

Misa de Niños

NDS 7 & 8 grade girls basketball tournament all day

Sun. 22. 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

NDS Book Fair 7-12:00

Eng. CFF 10:45-12:00

LifeTeen 6:45p

Domingo 15 2° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Misa 12:30pm

Tridentine Misa 11:00am

Lunes 16 Día de Martin Luther King, Jr.

La oficina estara cerrada.

Martes 17 San Antonio, abad

Miércoles 18 Semana de Oración por la Unidad Cristiana

(18 al 25 de enero)

Confesiones 6:30p

Misa a las 7:00 pm.

Coro 6:30p

A.A. en Español 7pm

Adoración 3:30-4:30pm

Jueves 19 Teofanía (Epifanía) en el calendario juliano

Viernes 20 San Fabián, San Sevastián

Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento- 3:30-4:30pm

A.A. en Español 7pm

Sábado 21 Santa Inés, virgin y mártir

CFF- 12-2pm

Domingo 22 3° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

EN BÚSQUEDA DEL MESÍAS

El relato del Evangelio de hoy en el que Juan y sus discípulos ven y siguen a Jesús, suena tan sencillo e informal, que fácilmente pasan desapercibidos los importantes actos de fe que ocurren.

Juan señala a Jesús: "Miren", les dice, "este es el Cordero de Dios". La fe de Juan en Jesús es evidente, tan evidente que los discípulos de Juan inmediatamente se van de su lado y siguen a Jesús.

Los dos discípulos a su vez hacen un acto de fe. Ellos siguen a Jesús, pasan tiempo con él, y no demoran en compartir la buena nueva de su descubrimiento: "Hemos encontrado al Mesías".

Es fácil olvidar que las expectativas de generaciones, las esperanzas de muchos siglos de fieles se estaban cumpliendo en estos sencillos actos de fe. El Cordero de Dios, el Mesías, anunciado por los profetas, finalmente había llegado. Prácticamente todo el mundo en el pueblo judío estaba a la búsqueda del Mesías en esa época; ¿quién de nuestra sociedad busca señales de la presencia del Mesías hoy día?

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Collections for last Sunday
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Thank You for Your Generosity
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Legion de Maria todos los jueves a las 7:00 de la noche en el Salon de conferencia en la plata baja. Llame para informacion Guadalupe Guerra 899-7995 o Raquel Ruiz 343-8741.

CRAB FEED Last Day To Get Tickets is now Friday, Jan. 20th

Knights of Columbus "ALL YOU CAN EAT" 2006 Crab Feed at St. John's. Sat. February 4, Doors open at 5pm, dinner is served at 7pm and the raffle is at 9pm. Premium wines, cocktails and beer will be on tap. There will be a \$10 corkage fee for wine brought from home. One ticket per \$30 donation. **NO TICKETS WILL BE ISSUED AT THE DOOR** For tickets call Jim Kelley 891-1990, Jeff Scofield at Chico Mini Storage 891-0311 or come by the church office, 435 Chestnut St., M-F 9-12:30 or 1:30-4:30.

Don't miss the deadline for tickets on January 20th!!!

Catholic Ladies Relief #3 is advertising for a part-time position of Program Coordinator. Please call the Center 895-8331 between 9-noon, Mon- Fri. for job specs. or come by for an application at 1386 Longfellow. This position is open to both men and women.

Catholic Daughters is having their 55th Anniversary luncheon on Thursday, Jan 19th at the Newman Center. Mass at 11:00am with lunch to follow. The cost is \$10. Please RSVP by Jan 12th to Lorraine 342-2240 or Flo 896-0249.

Support Catholic Radio in the Chico area. Listen to "The Catholic Hour: Why Be Catholic" featuring Joe Hollcraft as the host. Please tune in KKXX AM930 at 11AM on Saturdays (live) and 11AM Sundays (encore). If you would like to sponsor this program on the air please contact the office- 343-8741.

Kid Corral: Next meeting is January 28th. Kids of all ages are welcome. In addition, Walk For Life West Coast will be on January 21 in San Francisco. Kids from Kid Corral are going again this year. Call Hillary Gomez (or mom, Kelly) 891-4500 NOW if you are interested in going.



Bishop Weigand will celebrate the annual Pro-Life Mass on Tuesday, Jan. 24 at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, 1017 11th St. in Sac. Mass will be at 10:30am with the pro-life rosary recited before Mass at 10am. Come join us as we pray to promote a culture of life in our State and in our Nation! For more information, please contact the Respect Life Office at (916) 733-0140.

A weekly Holy Hour is held at St. John's every Friday, 3:30-4:30p. Come spend some time with Jesus exposed in the Blessed Sacrament.

Mark Your Calendars Now: Dr Alexander Shaia, noted Scripture Scholar, Speaker, and Author will make a presentation on the Gospel of Mark; Friday, Jan. 27, 7-8:30pm and Saturday, Jan 28, 9am-3pm at Sacred Heart Parish Center in Red Bluff (530) 527-2209. Call Sacred Heart parish for more information.

Walk For Life West Coast 2006: Make history- join thousands of West Coast pro-lifers on Jan. 21, 2006 for the 2nd Annual Walk for Life West Coast. Join us in challenging the notion that abortion has ever been a good choice for women, for men, for families or for our society. Join us as we proclaim the truth that abortion hurts women, men and children, and that we all deserve better than abortion. Help proclaim a message of Life and Peace throughout the streets of San Francisco. The Walk for life will begin at 11am at Justin Herman Plaza (near the Ferry Bldg. in San Francisco). For more info- call 415-586-1576 or visit website www.walkforlifewc.com.



Walk for Life Participants from Sac. Diocese are invited to celebrate 8am mass at St. Rose Church, 5961 Franklin Blvd., Sac.

Annual ProLife Breakfast & Rally Tues. Jan 24th
Prayer Breakfast 8-10am at The Grand, 1215 J St., Sac.
 RSVP by Jan 15 www.californiaprolife.org/breakfast \$25 ea.
Pro-Life Mass 10:30am at the Cathedral
Pro-Life Workshops 11:00am inside the Capitol
Rally for Life 12 noon Capitol, West steps

Women's Weekend Retreat, Christ the King Retreat Center

Sign up now for our parish retreat Jan 27-29th. You will have quiet space and inspiring talks to help you see your life more clearly. You'll find rest and relaxation, too! Just contact our captains, Lyn Dorenzo 891-8026 or Rita Staring 895-1214 or the Retreat Center 916-725-4720. Reserved space for St. John's will only be held until Jan. 15th, after that it will be open to anyone in the diocese so hurry and reserve your spot.

Men's weekend retreat. Christ the King Retreat Center

It's almost time! Sign up now for Feb 24-26. Are you running so hard you can't catch up? Do you know where your goal is? Learn how to find your direction and your energy to live the truly good life. Call the captains Allan Forbes 342-5493 or John Sutthoff 343-4040 for info & reservations.

Explore Africa with the Sacramento African Initiative Group. Visit Nigeria and Ghana for 15 days July 23- Aug 6. Cost- \$3,300 (double occupancy) Contact Charlene Harris 916-733-0160; Charlene_har@msn.com or Phyllis Johnson 916-729-8110; lilpj@surrewest.net.

Widowhood Program: Come and meet new friends, eat good food and learn about interesting programs that are available. We meet for breakfast on Mondays and lunch on Wednesdays and love to have new people join us. For more info on this great program, give Anne a call at 342-4291 on Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

Marriage Encounter Community Night. From 6:30-8:30pm Attention Encountered couples, we meet in the upper meeting room of the school. on the first Saturday of the month for potluck and a meeting to follow. Please join us. Call Stephanie and James Burkett 893-2348 for details.

RETROUVAILLE- Help for Hurting Marriages! Tens of thousands of marriages headed for divorce have successfully been saved by attending a Retrouvaille program. If you are thinking of separation or divorce or you are already separated or divorced but want to try again, then we believe Retrouvaille can help. For additional info, see the websites: www.retrouvaille.org or Sacramento@RetroCA.com. You can also call Fred and Barbara at 800-283-5952 or Fran at 916-362-2525. Retrouvaille (the French word for "rediscovery") is a live-in weekend and non-live-in post-weekend program for married couples. The emphasis is on a technique of communication between a husband and wife. A series of in-depth presentations are given by one of three married couples and a priest that focuses on a specific area of a marriage relationship. Post-weekend sessions continue the marriage renewal begun on the weekend and review earlier concepts in greater depth, introduce new ones and help you to apply these concepts to your own marriage.

Marriage Encounter We are looking to help make good marriages even better! If you have a good marriage and want to make it a great marriage, come to a Marriage Encounter Weekend! Call Dorothy & Aric Cook 891-0426 more details.

Want to be part of the statistic that has less than 2% divorce rate? Then Natural Family Planning is what you want! In addition to less than a 2% divorce rate, it is better than all other methods in achieving or avoiding pregnancy, it has no side effects, is very low cost, and treats both women and men with respect.

Natural Family Planning (Creighton model) classes are available right here in Chico as well as in Yuba City. Contact Jackie Hollcraft P.A.C., M.S. (899-0243) in Chico or Dr. Gretchen Marsh (671-9625) in Yuba City. This model is introduced in our Marriage Prep. classes.

Catholic Marriage Enrichment Group Our next meeting is at the Newman Center on Feb. 8th, 6:45 - 9pm. All Catholic married couples are welcome so please join us. If you have questions, please contact Debbie Weinrich at Sierra Counseling Service 342-2878.



Pray for ...

- Fr. Brent as he transitions to his new assignment here at St. John the Baptist.
- the Holy Spirit to bless and guide our new priests and bless and guide our community
- all Priests and Religious
- our Bishops, William Weigand, Richard Garcia, and Francis Quinn
- for the intentions of Pope Benedict XVI
- the many, many sick and suffering of our parish family
- the victims and relief workers of tragedies
- our military men and women.
- an end to abortion.
- healing for those women and men wounded by abortion
- our political leaders and our country to respect and defend life in all its stages
- Christian marriages and families
- vocations to the priesthood and religious life
- success of the Catholic high school project
- Fr. JB, his many projects in Kenya and our sister parish, St. John the Baptist, in Nyeri, Kenya.
- the holy souls in Purgatory
- the intentions of our parishioners
- those who have no one to pray for them

POPE BENEDICT'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY

General Intention: "That the effort to bring about the full communion of Christians will foster reconciliation and peace among all the peoples of the earth."

Mission intention: "That Christians will know how to welcome migrants with respect and charity, recognizing in each person the image of God."

"St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen"



If you would like to be on the Lifeteen mailing list please contact Rob at 342-4687 leave us a message and a phone number.
www.chicolifeteen.org

Jr. High Students

This Week: No Meeting- Martin Luther King Holiday

High School Students:

This Week: No Meeting

Youth House School Hours: We're open Mon-Thurs.
Mon. 3pm-4:30pm; Tues. 3pm-8pm; Wed. 3pm-5:30pm
and Thurs. 3pm-8pm (these times are sometimes subject
to change, so call first to make sure we're open.)

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS - IN THE ZONE PRAYER GROUP We meet every Thursday at 5:00pm.
Join us at the Youth House as we study Christ's living word in the Scriptures from Genesis to Revelations. All high school students are welcome!!

XLT: (Exalt) Come together for praise and worship in front of Exposition of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament (in church). Open to all teens and young adults in the Deanery ages 14-30. The next XLT is January 26th at 7:00PM

Join the CORE! We are currently looking for new CORE Team members, ages 18 thru 118 with a heart for teens. If you are interested please call 342-4687 and ask for Rob.

Youth Sacrament Preparation For Teens

For teens in grades 7-12 who need Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion and/or Confirmation. Contact Jason at the Church office if this is something you need.

Religious Education Questions ?:
Call Jason Van Buskirk 343-8741

CFF Today!

**We Gather for Opening Prayer
at 10:45 in the Gymnasium**

SACRAMENTS

All children who are expecting to receive sacraments should already have their registrations turned in to Jason.

Sacrament Parent's Class: Next class is Tuesday, January 17th, 7-8 p.m. in the Upper Meeting Room. We will be discussing the Sacrament of Confession. All are very encouraged to attend!



❖ **PARISH INFORMATION** ❖



Registrations: We are so happy that you have decided to join us. To register with St. John's or our mission church, St. James, fill out a registration form available in the vestibule of the church or church office & drop it in the collection or at the office (343-8741) located across the street from the parking lot at 435 Chestnut St.

Marriages: make arrangements with the priest no less than 6 months in advance of your desired date. For an appointment with the priest call the office 343-8741.

Baptisms: The required Baptism classes are offered every other month in English and every month in Spanish. Come to the office for a baptism registration form and class information or call the office 343-8741 for information.

Children's Faith Formation (C.F.F.): Pre-K through 6th grade. **September–May.** Registration is in August. Classes began Sept 11th. Contact Jason Van Buskirk, DRE at the office 343-8741.

Children's Sacraments: Requires at least 2 years attendance in Religious Education (CFF or Notre Dame School). Registration is in August. Contact Jason for info. 343-8741.

Confirmation: Is received in the 6th grade and requires a minimum of 2 years attendance in an approved religious education program. Call Jason 343-8741 for more info.

Youth Sacrament Program: For youth in grades 7-12 who need sacraments: Baptism, First Penance, First Communion and/or Confirmation. Contact Jason 343-8741. Registrations are from Aug. 22 – Sept. 16. Classes begin Oct. 12.

Rite of Christian Initiation Adapted for Children: (RCIC)
If your elementary age children have missed Baptism or First Communion contact Jason Van Buskirk 343-8741.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): Interested in what the Church teaches, in becoming a Catholic, or have missed some sacraments, please contact Deacon Steve Schwartz 891-0626.

❖ **BIBLE STUDIES** ❖

Men's Bible Study: meets every Friday morning 6-7am in the Knights of Columbus Room at Our Divine Savior Parish Hall. Also join them for breakfast after from 7-8am if you can. Call Deacon Steve Schwartz 891-0626 for details.

Women's Bible Study: Tuesday mornings 9-11am at Terry Matthews' home. Prayer, fellowship, discussion of daily readings and Scott Hahn scripture study. Everyone is welcome—no prior experience needed! Call Terry 893-1644 for details.

Bible Study with Joe Hollcraft: You can hear Joe "live" on the radio, "**The Catholic Hour: Why Be Catholic**". on KKXX AM930 at 11:00am on Saturdays and re-aired on Sundays at 11:00am.

❖ **PRAYER GROUPS** ❖

Eucharistic Adoration: Weekly: every Friday 3:30-4:40pm
Monthly: the first Monday of the month, all day 8:00am—7:00pm. Benediction is from 6:45-7pm.

XLТ: (Exalt) open to all teens and young adults in the Deanery ages 14—30. Meets in the Church on the last Thursday of the month at 7:00PM

Holy Spirit Prayer Group: meets the 4th Wednesday of each month at the Newman Center at 7pm. Call Carolyn Cyr 891-4815 or Deacon James Burkett 893-2348 for information.

Rosary Prayer Group: meets in the Church on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. (English)

Pro-Life Prayer Group — Missionaries to the Unborn: Help rescue the unborn through prayer. Every Saturday 9:00am-11:00am. we pray outside the Feminist Women's Health Center abortion mill, 1469 Humbolt Rd. (across from the police station) Pray with us and stand for Life. Questions? Call Jim 891-0427.

In The Zone Prayer Group: High School students meet Thursday evenings, 5:00pm in the Youth House.

Kid Corral For kids of all ages! See Parish News for more information or call Hillary Gomez at 891-4500 (or mom, Kelly)

Grupo de Oración and Jr. Grupo meets Tuesday evenings in the upper meeting room of the school at 7:00pm (Spanish)

Legión de María Rosario meets on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm. Contact Raquel Ruiz for more information 343-8741 (Spanish)

Clase de Oración meets Friday evenings at 7-9pm. (Spanish) in the cafeteria.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12
Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21
Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25; 1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

Theme for 1/22 "Teach me your ways, O Lord"

Liturgy of the Hours ~ wk II

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