



**Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 27, 2008**

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✦

Sat 26	7:30a	✦George & Rose Heid by John & Linda Shea
	5:30p	✦Julia Silva by S.P.R.S.I.
Sun 27	7:30a	✦Molly Stagliano by Rocco Iannone Parish
	9:30a	
	12:30p	✦Rebeca Valenzuela by Antonio Garcia
	5:30p	✦Tim Maguire special intention
Mon 28	7:30a	
Tues 29	7:30a	✦Ben Bertagna by Carmen Bertagna
Wed 30	7:30a	Steve Jarmusa (living) by JaneRabo
Thus 31	7:30a	no intention
Fri 1	7:30a	✦Mary VanBuskirk by Lona Stalker
Sat 2	7:30a	Bertoli Family (living & deceased) by Juanita Bertoli
	5:30p	✦Julia Silva by U. P. P. E. C. Dorothy Hubbard (living) by Borges Family

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦

Sun 27	9:00a	✦Claire Grzanich by Mom & Dad
	10:30a	✦Luis Mendoza & Luis Mendoza III (living/b'day)

Pray for the repose of the soul of Kathrine Avila, Cleo Flores, Martha Padilla, and for the comfort of their family and friends.

Weekly Offering 3rd Week of July
Sunday Collection \$ 7,190.00

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

--2 Corinthians 9:7

Mission Appeal: Next weekend (Aug 2nd & 3rd) there will be a special collection for our sister parish in Kenya. Please give generously.

Faithful Citizenship: For the next 15 weeks will we have an insert on Faithful Citizenship taken from Catholics in the Public Square, the Shepherd's Voice Series. It will be in a Question/Answer format on our role as Catholics and how we are called to participate in the political process.

Notre Dame School offers your child a unique educational opportunity. Each day begins with prayer and scripture, and each week culminates with our student-led school Mass. In between, we offer comprehensive academic programs recognized for their excellence, in addition to music and art, computer technology, P.E., Jr. High electives, and a competitive sports program. After school care is also available, as well as many extra curricular activities. Notre Dame School is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges through 2012. Our students consistently test in the top quarter of the nation and 95% of our graduates continue their education into college. Notre Dame has fully credentialed and award-winning teaching staff. There are openings in all grades, so come check us out! Please contact Connie Freitas or Chris Seibert at the school office at 342-2502 or visit www.ndschico.org Tuition assistance is available for those who qualify.

A Night of Praise and Worship: Monday August 11th from 7-8:30pm at St. John's. Take some time to sing and pray before the hectic school year gets started! Everyone is welcome!! Music provided by Rick Dorenzo, Edson Gomersall and Karen Rose.



Bucks Lake Family Camp!: July 31-Aug 3.

The ultimate Catholic 'Stay-cation'!! Located less than 2 hours from Chico, Bucks Lake Family Camp includes all you will need for a family focused vacation. Canoeing, fishing, hiking, swimming, family games, kids crafts, youth activities, adult campfires, singing, praying, outdoor masses and more!! Camp fees include ALL your meals for the weekend, prepared by David and Kelly Gomez of Roots Catering. Look for bright green registration forms in the church or in the church office. Call Karen Rose for more info 343-9519. A \$15 late registration fee applies after July 15th.

Catholic Daughters: Monthly Luncheon for the Catholic Daughters will be July 30th, 11:30am at Denny's. Contact Lorene at 343-3324 for more information.

Torres Shelter: We welcome any groups or individuals in the parishes to join us on the first Friday, the second Wednesday or the third Tuesday of the month. Please call Jerry Converse at 342-2134 to volunteer.

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE

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LIFE TEEN

PRAISE & WORSHIP – Monday the 28th at the Seibert’s House from 8-11pm. Everyone bring one bar of chocolate.

GIRL’S NIGHTS/GUY’S NIGHTS/BIBLE STUDY– These two events have been CANCELLED this week due to the lock-in.

LOCK-IN –On July 29th at 5:30 until July 30th at 10am we will be locked-in at the Newman Center to figure out who is the killer of Professor Davidson. \$100 cash prize to the winner. Come dressed to impress in your best Western wear \$50 cash prizes to the best male and female costumes. Permission slips are due today (Sun July 27th).

XLT – Please join us on Sunday, August 3rd from 6:30-8:00pm for an awesome time of praise and worship, adoration, and a guest speaker sharing their faith with us.

❖ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ❖

Women’s Ministry Group We had a great group this year and look forward to everyone joining us again in the fall. Look for bulletin announcements in September. If you have any questions call Pat Hackney at 342-5528 or Mary Waldorf at 345-8638.

Catholics Returning Home: Do you have some family members or friends who have said they miss the Church but afraid to come back because of something that happened in years past? Maybe they had a divorce and are feeling the Church will not accept them back! This program is exactly what they need to be welcomed back home. Call Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 or Sharon Haselton @ 891-5334.

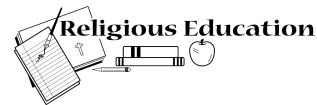
Holy Spirit Prayer Group: They meet at 7pm on the 4th Wed of each month at the Newman Center. For more information call Sharon, 891-5334 or James, 893-2348.



Scripture Study/Radio: Joe Hollcraft is live on AM 930 at 11:00am-12:00 each Saturday and Sunday (re-aired). Joe will have a different guest each week. Each program will be devoted to the readings from the Mass. This

week (July 26th & July 27th) Joe will explore the proper understanding of both predestination and justification. The following week Joe will offer a teaching on compassion as he considers the words “...and Christ was moved with pity.” Be sure not to miss this great opportunity to better understand the Bible and the structure of our faith. E-mail Joe at jholljmj@yahoo.com if you have any questions about the radio program and/or the Catholic faith.

✦ **CFF: CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION** ✦



Religious Education Questions
Call 343-8741

REGISTRATION PACKETS FOR CFF ARE BEING SENT OUT. WATCH FOR THEM IN THE MAIL. IF YOU ARE NEW PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 343-8741.

(EVERYONE MUST REGISTER EVERY YEAR)

First Communion Certificates and Banners
If you did not pick up your child’s 1st Communion Certificate or Banner at the reception for First Communion, you can pick it up at the parish office.

Confirmation pictures are also available in the parish office.

✦ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ✦

“Northern Lights” Community Love Circle: Aug 2nd Family Swim Party at the Burkett’s. Come and join us for some summer fun in the sun! For more information please call Stephanie or James at 893-2348, email burkett7@sbcglobal.net



Respect for Life Committee: The election is coming up soon and we must be aware that there are some non-negotiable issues, things that are intrinsically evil. First among them is the denial of the right to life and with that denial nothing else matters, e.g. health care, a good economy, good schools – nothing. Let us pray for wisdom and understanding of the Church’s teachings at the ballot box. Please consider going to Planned Parenthood on Vallombrosa on Wednesdays or the Women’s Feminist Abortion Center on Humboldt Rd on Fridays. Come anytime from 10am to 4pm to pray for the lives of the unborn children.



Marriage Encounter: Make a great marriage even better! Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend scheduled is Aug 15th-17th. Call Stephanie & Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 for more information.

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. (899-0243).

University of Sacramento: The University of Sacramento is excited to announce the Fall 2008 course offerings for all three of our programs in Catholic Faith Formation: Master of Arts in Education with an Emphasis in Catholic Faith Formation, Advanced Certificate in Catechetics and Basic Certificate in Catechetics. If you are interested, or would like to attend an Open House or register for a class, please feel free to contact me at 916-443-4760, extension 16.

Host Families needed for Exchange Students: Mercy High School is looking for warm, loving homes for our international students for the 2008-09 school year. We have 8 students enrolled, 2 boys from Brazil, 2 boys from South Korea, 2 girls from Slovakia and 1 boy and 1 girl from Hong Kong. Students have their own health insurance and a room and board stipend is provided to the hosting family. If you are interested in opening up your home to an exchange student, please call the school at 527-8313 and speak to Mrs. Ramirez.

Mercy Catholic High School in Red Bluff is now accepting applications for the 2008-2009 school year. Mercy High School is a fully accredited college preparatory school with visual as well as performing arts classes. There are openings in grades 9-12. Please call the school at 527-8313 for further information and to set an appointment.

Pilgrimage: (Nov 6th-20th) Join Fr. Enrique Alvarez on his journey to the Holy Land, Jordan, and Egypt. There is no joy like the joy of being in the Holy Land. Walking where Jesus walked, a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, standing on the Mount of Beatitudes, praying in the Garden of Gethsemane and celebrating together at the Tomb over our Lord's resurrection! Then on to Mt. Nebo where Moses stood overlooking the Jordan Valley. From there the trip will continue on to Petra and climb Moses Mountain where God delivered the Ten Commandments. There will also be a visit to St. Catherine Monastery in the Sinai Desert. Please pick up the brochure in the back of the church and consider joining us!

Columbian Retirement home, Inc: The California Knights of Columbus own and operate an independent living retirement facility for seniors in historic Marysville, California. The two-story, garden style building, located across the street from St. Joseph's Catholic Church is designed like a luxury hotel, except it has the friendliness and warmth of your own private home. The rates are reasonable. Each room has a private bath. Three delicious, well-balanced meals are served daily. For all the details, please call 743-7542.



Sun 27	17 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2:30pm Latin Mass
Mon 28	6-8pm English AA 7-9pm Spanish Cursillo
Tues 29	St. Martha 7pm Grupo Carismatico
Wed 30	St. Peter Chrysologus 6-9pm Spanish AA
Thur 31	St. Ignatius of Loyola 7pm Rosary
Fri 1	St. Alphonsus Liguori/First Friday 8-9am Adoration 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat 2	St. Eusebius of Vercelli/First Saturday 10am Confessions

FIRST MONDAY: ADORATION/EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Monday, August 4th
 after 7:30am Mass
 through 3:15pm Benediction.

Library Summer Hours:

Sunday 8:15-9:30am & 10:30am-12:30pm



Pope Benedict XVI's Prayer Intentions for July

General: *That there may be an increase in the number of those who volunteer to serve the Christian community with generous and prompt availability.*

Mission: *That World Youth Day in Sydney, Australia, may kindle the fire of divine love in numerous young people and render them sowers of hope for a new humanity.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jer 13:1-11; Mt 13:31-35
 Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22; Jn 11:19-27
 Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21; Mt 13:44-46
 Thursday: Jer 18:1-6; Mt 13:47-53
 Friday: Jer 26:1-9; Mt 13:54-58
 Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24; Mt 14:1-12
 Sunday: Is 55:1-3; Ps 145; Rom 8:35, 37-39;
 Mt 14:13-21

Liturgy of the Hours - I

All things work for good for those who love God.

--Romans 8:28a

