



Easter Sunday
The Resurrection of the Lord
March 23, 2008

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✦

HOLY	22	7:30a	NO MASS
SAT		8:00p	Maria Correa (living)
EASTER	23	7:30a	William & Nila Mendonca (living)
SUNDAY		9:30a	Parish
		12:30p	✦Roxanna Alfaro
		5:30p	NO LIFE TEEN MASS
Mon	24	7:30a	Maria Dolores Mota (living) by Maria Correa
Tue	25	7:30a	✦John & Mary O'Hara by John
Wed	26	7:30a	Bertoli Family (living & deceased) by Juanita Bertoli
		7:00p	no intention
Thus	27	7:30a	✦Kathryn Lee by Kathryn Matzdorff
Friday	28	7:30a	✦Colleen Howard by Gala Ybanez
		8:30a	No School Mass Easter Break
Sat	29	7:30a	✦Kathryn Lee by Kathryn Matzdorff
		5:30p	✦Rita Cooper by Florence Wehr

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦

Sun	23	9:00a	Missionaries of Mercy by DJM's
		10:30a	no intention

Weekly Offering

3rd week of March

Sunday Collection	\$9,311
Second Collection: Maintance	\$ 503
Total	\$9,814

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

--2 Corinthians 9:7

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE
stjohnthebaptistchico.org

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

St. John's Office email address: stjohn33@sbcglobal.net

Divine Mercy Celebration: March 30 is the Feast of Divine Mercy. St Thomas the Apostle Church in Oroville will celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday with a mass at 3pm. All are welcome.

DIRECTORY UPDATE: We have had several inquiries about the new directory for our 100 Year Celebration. With the transition of pastors we were delayed in sending the ministry and activity pictures for the directory to Bussons. We are close to having it ready to go. It looks like we should be receiving the directories around June/July and they will be delivered to the church office. We will keep you updated as we find out more details. There will be one directory per family for those parishioners who had their picture taken.

History Celebration: As part of our Historical celebration 2008 we're going to publish an account of the history of our parish from 1978-2008. We need your memories, your pictures, and your ideas. Please see March 2, 2008 bulletin insert, also available online: <http://www.stjohnthebaptistchico.org/pdfs/historybulletininsert.pdf>. Let's not allow our memories to fade into oblivion. Record yours for posterity. Contact Cathy O'Toole 893-8760 or cotoole@stjohnthebaptistchico.org. You can call the parish office at 343-8741 also.

Notre Dame School Spring Gala Auction

Saturday, April 5th - Sierra Nevada Brewery's Big Room. The deadline to purchase tickets is **FRIDAY, MARCH 21ST**, but we still have a few seats left...so if you would like to attend, don't delay! Tickets are \$70/person and can be purchased by contacting Teri Ernandes at 624-9746 or ternandes@siscoent.com. We are also holding a Raffle with a Grand Prize of **FREE TUITION** for a year at Notre Dame School or the cash equivalent. 2nd prize is Free Hot Lunch for a year at NDS or the cash equivalent. Tickets are \$50 or 2 for \$75 and chances of winning are excellent. To purchase your tickets, contact Robin Taylor at 894-3910 (Need not be present to win). We have had many great items donated to the Auction including a romantic getaway in the Napa Valley and VIP passes to a Sacramento Kings game. But, we are still in need of your donations. If you have an item or service you can donate, please contact Annette Bennett at bennettamc@yahoo.com or 521-0719. **Thank you for your continued support of Notre Dame School!**

ATTENTION Parents of School-aged children: Now is the time to enroll your child at Notre Dame School. We have openings in all grades. Notre Dame School has many outstanding qualities. We offer sacrament preparation curriculum, excellent academics, Mass presented by students each Friday, Accelerated Reader program, an extensive music program, technology, PE, and art classes, choir, sports (cross country, volleyball, basketball, flag football, track and field) and an After School program. Scholarships are available for those who qualify. Please contact the school at 342-2502 for literature or a tour.

Catholic Daughters: March calendar—March 26th, birthday luncheon at Cozy Diner, 11:30pm. Call Lil at 342-3008 if you have any questions.

(E-MAIL)

Chico_It_ym@yahoo.com

Andrea Florez, Youth Director 530-961-2050

**LIFE TEEN –No Life Teen on Easter Sunday.
Enjoy your families!
EDGE –No Edge this Monday March 24th. Happy
Easter!**

✦ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ✦



Respect for Life Committee/40 Days for Life: 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 being aborted. **Walk For Life is coming soon. Look for details in upcoming bulletins. Join the committee for their next meeting on April 21, at 3:30pm in the parish library.**

Mothers' Prayer Group: Join other mothers and children for a "pray and play" group every Thursday at 10:30am in the preschool room at ODS. If you have any questions, please call Marijeanne Birchard at 343-6912.



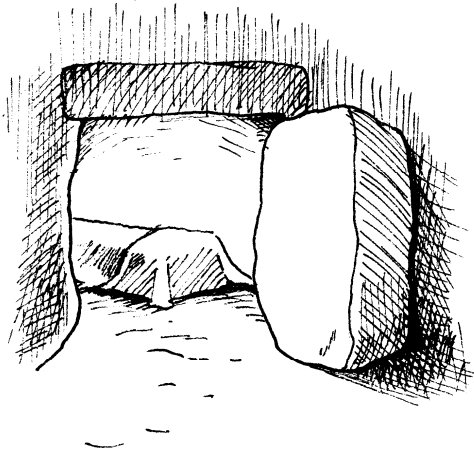
Marriage Encounter: Make a great marriage even better! Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Call Stephanie & Deacon James Burkett at

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).

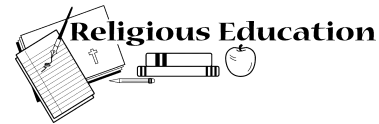
Retrouvaille: This is a program to give hope and help for marriages that are experiencing trouble. For additional information call 1-800-283-5952.

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



**Religious Education Questions
Call 343-8741**

1st Penance for English CFF: April 5th at 11am. Please be at the church by 10:30am.

Sacramental Parents Classes are for parents who have children receiving Sacraments this year. The remaining classes will be **April 22**, in the Upper Meeting Room at NDS and **May 4** the meeting will be held in the gym at 11 am.

All CFF and Notre Dame parents are encouraged to attend the Sacramental Parents classes. Some topics that will be discussed will include: How to better our relationship with God at home; How we as parents can emphasize God's love to our children; Learn more about our Catholic Faith.

✦ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ✦

Women's Ministry Group: We come together in friendship, in prayer and reading with women from all three parishes. This month we will be discussing Chapter 6 of the book "Experience Grace in Abundance, Ten Strategies for Your Spiritual Life" by Johnette Benkovic For more info, call Pat Hackney at 342-5528 or Mary Waldorf at 345-8638. Our next meeting will be **Thurs, April 10th, from 6:45-9pm at ODS Social Hall.**

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. Invite them to come and check us out. If they are still not sure of what we are about have them 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

Scripture Study/Radio: Joe will return to his regular weekly programming on March 29th-30th. The emphasis will be on Divine Mercy Sunday. Be sure not to miss this great opportunity to better understand the Bible and the structure of our faith. E-mail Joe at jhollmj@yahoo.com if you have any questions about the radio program and/or the Catholic faith.

Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament will also celebrate **Divine Mercy Sunday** on **March 30th**. Confessions at 2:15pm, Divine Mercy Chaplet at 2:45pm, Holy Mass at 3pm with Bishop William Weigand as Celebrant with Veneration of the Divine Mercy image and relic of St. Faustina following the mass.

Summer Job Opportunity: The Diocese of Sacramento is looking for energetic young people (18+ years) to work this summer as counselors with children and youth between the age of 6 to 17 in the great outdoors, and within the Catholic spirit! Positions begin in mid June and finish in August. Applications are available now at www.pendola.org or call 916-736-3652 for more information.

Summer Camp: Camp Pendola, the official summer camp of the Diocese of Sacramento, is now accepting registrations for the 2008 summer season. This year the traditional summer program will be taking place at Camp Ross Relles, for children and youth ages 6 to 17. Campers are encouraged to live in, understand, and respect the wonders and beauty of the world around them. For more information and registration materials, check our web site www.pendola.org or call at 916-736-3652.

Mass for Single Adults: The Single Adult Ministry of the Diocese of Sacramento (S. A. M.), invites adult singles to a Mass at 5pm on Saturday, March 29th, to be hosted at Our Lady of Lourdes in Sacramento. Mass will be followed by a potluck dinner with a special appearance and talk by Bishop Soto at 6:15pm in the Parish Hall. Please bring a potluck dish to share. Contact MaryLee Barcena at 916-419-9845 for more information.

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. Housekeeping, linens, laundry facilities, 24 hour medical emergency monitoring, chapel, library, elevator, lounge, patio and garden area, are included in one low price. For more details, please call 743-7542.

Holy Land Tour: Join Fr. Michael Hebda and Sr. Maura Power, RSM for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Jordan for 10 nights. The tour departs Oct 8th (from Seattle) and returns Oct 19th. The Pilgrimage takes us to Galilee, Jordan River, Capernaum, Tabgha, Mt of Beatitudes, Cana, Nazareth, Mt. Tabor, Caesarea, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Ein Karem, Mt. of Olives, Mt. Zion, Dead Sea, Masada, Qumran and then on to Jordan to enjoy Petra, Madaba, Mt. Nebo, Jerash and Amman....we get to walk where Jesus walked!!! A marvelous, blessed 10 nights!! Please call Alice Gerety at Cruise Holidays, 244-7447 or 1-800-852-3268 for more information.

Sun 23	EASTER SUNDAY The Resurrection of the Lord NO CFF 2:30pm Latin Mass NO Lifeteen
Mon 24	Monday in the Octave of Easter 6-8pm English AA 6:30-8pm BSA #2 NO Edge 7-9pm Spanish Cursillo
Tues 25	Tuesday in the Octave of Easter 7pm Grupo Carismatico
Wed 26	Wednesday in the Octave of Easter 6-9pm Spanish AA 7pm BSA #2 (Cafeteria)
Thur 27	Thursday in the Octave of Easter 7pm Rosary
Fri 28	Friday in the Octave of Easter 3:30pm Adoration 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat 29	Saturday in the Octave of Easter 10am Confessions

Library Hours:

Sunday 8:30-9:30am & 10:30am-12:15pm
Wednesday 9-noon, Thursday 9-11am



Pope Benedict XVI's Prayer Intentions for March

General prayer intention: "That the mentally handicapped may not be marginalized, but respected and lovingly helped to live in a way worthy of their physical and social condition."

Mission intention: "That the institutes of consecrated life, which are so flourishing in mission countries, may rediscover the missionary dimension and, faithful to the radical choice of evangelical counsels, be generous in bearing witness to and announcing Christ to the ends of the earth."

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15
Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18
Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35
Thursday: Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48
Friday: Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14
Saturday: Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15
Sunday: Acts 2:42-47; Ps 118; 1 Pt 1:3-9; Jn 20:19-31

Liturgy of the Hours -Proper

