



*In one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.  
--1 Corinthians 12:13a*

*From the Pastor's Desk*

As we come to the end of the Easter season and the academic year, we have much to celebrate: 91 of our youth and adults were confirmed by Bishop Weigand on March 26 and 27, 21 adults and children were fully initiated into the Church at the Easter Vigil and 99 children made their First Communion on May 15 and 22. Also, this Friday, May 28, 18 young men and women will graduate from 8<sup>th</sup> Grade at Notre Dame School. As we give thanks to God for His continual providential care of our parish, we can pray that each of us grow in God's grace more and more every day.

As our parish is growing spiritually, so too is it improving physically. The new air conditioner and heating system is almost complete. This large project was started on April 2. It is a major overhaul of the old system and promises to be a big improvement. I am grateful to the anonymous donor who gave \$20,000 towards this project and for all of your generous donations to the building fund which is making this \$50,000 project possible. Also, I thank Lugenbeel Mechanical for doing all the hard work!

This Pentecost, we pray that God send us the Holy Spirit to continually renew, inspire and encourage us in the practice of the faith!

**Yours in Christ,  
Father Berg**

**Hospitality Today:** "Come by the Library after 9am Sunday Mass for coffee, tea, juice and a snack. Meet new people and visit with old friends".

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** This weekend, May 22-23, is the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Collection proceeds support training for seminarians and religious men and women; pastoral care of the sick; formation for lay leaders; family and youth ministries; and religious education for all age groups.

**The Portuguese Holy Ghost Fatima Club** will be holding their annual Festa on Sunday May 23, at 9am Mass with the crowning of the Queens. After Mass the Festa will proceed to the Portuguese Hall for the traditional soupas meal to be served from 12noon to 1:30pm (auction to follow) and then again in the evening from 6-8pm. This year's Queen is Corinne Mendonca, daughter of Alvin and Debbie Mendonca. Her side maids are Amanda Costa, daughter of Leonard and Alisa Costa and Cassidy Farrar, daughter of Joe and Lorne Silva. Little Queen is Olivia Silva, daughter of Jody and Joy Silva. Her side maids are Sarah Mendonca, daughter of Steve and Jeanette Mendonca and Emily Silva, daughter of Joe and Lorne Silva.



**REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!! Bucks Lake Family Camp July 29th-Aug 1st.** Come join fellow Catholic families in the woods by Bucks Lake. Enjoy family games, crafts for the kids, activities for teens, singing by the campfire, family skit night, delicious meals prepared by an amazing local chef, outdoor masses and much, much more. Call Karen at 343-9519 for more information.

**Pentecost Sunday May 23, 2010**

✧ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✧

Sat 22	7:30a	<b>ST. RITA OF CASCIA</b> ✧Mary Van Buskirk by Lona Stalker
	5:30p	✧Maria Barros by Joe & Bernice Toste
Sun 23		<b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b>
	7:30a	✧Lena Morgado by Roberta Mendonca
	9:00a	<b>Parish</b>
	10:30a	✧Bob Sanders by Culbreath Family
	12:30p	✧Octavio Ordonec by Carrillo Family
	5:30p	✧Jim O'Toole & living family by CSUC Econ Dept
Mon 24		<b>EIGHTH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
	7:30a	✧Charles Schuster by Mutch Family
Tues 25		<b>ST. BEDE THE VENERABLE</b>
	7:30a	✧Keith Bright by Susan Jeffries
Wed 26		<b>ST. PHILIP NERI</b>
	7:30a	✧Betty Forbes by Nock Family
	6:30p	✧Simitria Barron by Sonia Villa
Thur 27		<b>ST. AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY</b>
	7:30a	Delia Jarmush (living) by Mike & Jane Rabo
		<b>ST. Christopher Magallanes &amp; companions</b>
Fri 28	7:30a	✧Dorothy Rabo by Mike & Jane Rabo
Sat 29	7:30a	✧Dorene Paetz by Duane Paetz
	5:30p	✧Jim Bachand by Nock Family
		✧ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✧
Sun 23	9:00a	✧Eugene Keyawa
	10:30a	✧Simitria Barron by Sonia Villa

**3<sup>rd</sup> week of May**

<u>Collection</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
May 16	\$6,195	\$7,280
Year to date	\$402,366	\$414,463
(St. James total for May 16: (\$466))		

**"Mommy & Me" Group**

Meetings will be held in the Mother Teresa Room in the Parish Office on Thursdays from 11am-12:30pm.

All mothers are welcome to attend. New, expectant and nursing mothers are especially encouraged. We also need the advice and expertise of you experienced moms! Our group will present informal discussion topics on the role of motherhood and faith formation for our children in a warm and supportive atmosphere. We are an organization of Catholic Mothers committed to family, motherhood and service to our community. Please join us!

**Topic this week: Soul Sisters – Friendship and Companionship Among Women**

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION



**Scripture Study/Radio:** Joe Hollcraft is live on AM 930 and FM 107.5 at 11:00am-12:00 each Saturday and Sunday (re-aired). Each week Joe will offer a teaching and reflection on the readings from the Mass. In addition, he will look at all the important questions that people are asking about the faith today. **This week, May 22nd and 23rd (re-air), Joe will examine Pentecost and why every Catholic needs to appreciate their "Catholic Birthday". The following week, Joe will air a special program on the Mass (Joe will be away and the program will be pre-recorded) Do not hesitate to send Joe any of your questions [jholljmj@yahoo.com](mailto:jholljmj@yahoo.com)**

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S MINISTRY:** If you are a woman in search of fellowship we are starting another segment of our study of the bible. **Next meeting will be May 27 in the Knights of Columbus room in the social hall at ODS from 6:45p-9 pm. Call Mary Waldorf at 345-8638.**

**Rosary Prayer Group** will now meet on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 PM in the church. For more information, call 898-1183 or 342-2323.

**Holy Spirit Prayer Group** meets at 7pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of each month at the Newman Center. For more information call Sharon, 891-5334 or James, 893-2348.

**The Abbey of New Clairvaux** is hosting a Life Discernment Weekend, June 4-7, 2010 for single Catholic men 22-35. If interested please respond by May 22. Contact the vocation director for information: 839-2900.

## CFF: CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION

*Religious Education Questions - Call 343-8741*

**CONFIRMATION PICTURES ARE IN. PLEASE COME AND PICK THEM UP AT THE PARISH OFFICE.**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Mk 10:17-27  
Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Mk 10:28-31  
Wednesday: 1 Pt 1:18-25; Mk 10:32-45  
Thursday: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Mk 10:46-52  
Friday: 1 Pt 4:7-13; Mk 11:11-26  
Saturday: Jude 17:20b-25; Mk 11:27-33  
Sunday: Prv 8:22-31; Ps 8; Rom 5:1-5; Jn 16:12-15

Liturgy of the Hours Week IV

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE

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**Life Teen** – Life Teen- This Sunday is our last life night of the year. Tonight is all about welcoming the graduating 8th graders and making new friends. Join us for the Life Teen Mass. Right afterwards we'll start with a BBQ and then head into a night of games and getting to know each other from 7-830. Can't wait to see you.

**Youth House Drop-In** – Is being temporarily put on hold. We will let you know when we are able to have drop-In again.

## MARRIAGE & FAMILY



**Respect for Life:** Everyone is welcome to pray in front of Planned Parenthood on Wednesdays, which is now located at 3100 Cohasset Road, between Lupin and Lassen Avenue, across from the Butte County Fire station, and/or the Women's Feminist Abortion Center on Humboldt on Fridays. Please pray for the mothers, fathers, and the safety of the unborn babies. Come any time from 9am to 12 noon.



**Marriage Encounter:** "Let anyone who thirsts come to me and drink." Do you thirst for the power of Jesus' love in your marriage? Take time to enrich your marriage and bring Jesus' love to your relationship. The next local Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be **June 11-13 and August 27-29 in Sacramento. Early registration is highly recommended.** Contact Stephanie and 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 Jenni Schaeffer (893-5474) or Jackie Hollcraft M.S.; P.A.C. 519-5081)

Through the graces of the Holy Spirit, we can all find peace through faith filled choices. Know---and trust in---the teachings of our faith on love and life! [www.canfp.org](http://www.canfp.org)

### Library Hours & News:

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



## FYI

**Director of Liturgical Music:** Sacred Heart Parish in Anderson, CA is seeking an individual with special skills in music leadership to direct our parish's liturgical music ministry. Eager volunteers await the enthusiasm and energy of a vibrant music leader to enliven our weekend worship together. Please submit cover letter and resume to Sacred Heart Parish, 3141 St. Stephen's Drive, Anderson, CA 96007. Salary negotiable. For further information, call 530-365-8573 or email: [info@sacredheartparish.org](mailto:info@sacredheartparish.org)

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