



Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth. --Revelation 1:5

## Our Lord Jesus Christ the King November 22, 2009

### ✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✦

|         |        |  |
|---------|--------|--|
| Sat 21  | 7:30a  | ✦Lena Morgado by Filice Family                       |
|         | 5:30p  | no intention   |
| Sun 22  | 7:30a  | no intention   |
|         | 9:00a  | People of God  |
|         | 10:30a | no intention   |
|         | 12:30p | ✦Felix Meza by Julian Meza                           |
|         | 5:30p  | ✦Carmen Bertagna by Joe & Lorraine Nock              |
| Mon 23  | 7:30a  | John Zuppan (living)                                 |
| Tues 24 | 7:30a  | no intention   |
| Wed 25  | 7:30a  | ✦Doreen Paetz by Duane Paetz                         |
|         | 7:00p  | no intention   |
| Thur 26 | 7:30a  | ✦James Monroe by Dave Monroe                         |
| Fri 27  | 7:30a  | John & Andrea Stalker (living/anniv) by Lona Stalker |
| Sat 28  | 7:30a  | ✦Holy Souls in Purgatory                             |
|         | 5:30p  | no intention   |

### ✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦

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|--------|--------|--------------------------------------|
| Sun 22 | 9:00a  | ✦Helen Cabral by Joe & Lorraine Nock |
|        | 10:30a | no intention                         |

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of Vicente Urrutia, Carmen Bertagna, Herb Schaefer, and for their family and friends.*

### 3<sup>rd</sup> week of November

| Collection   | Actual    | Budget    |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| November 15  | \$8,815   | \$7,280   |
| Year to date | \$169,294 | \$192,522 |

(St. James total for Nov 15: (\$851))

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

### Prayer for Priests

Dear Lord,

We pray that the blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your priests and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry.

We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5)

May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse.

May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross.

May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen.

Saint John Vianney, pray for us.

**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".

**Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) Collection Today Sunday, Nov 22.** These days it is not hard to imagine having to choose between rent or health care, food or transportation, household bills or clothing for your children. For many Americans, these choices are forced by a recent layoff, pay freeze, or retirement fund decrease. For 37 million Americans who live below the poverty line, the options are only diminishing. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) makes a difference in low-income communities by funding programs that address the root causes of poverty. More than ever, CCHD needs your support in today's Collection. Thank you for your generosity.

**Thanksgiving Day Masses:** On Thursday Nov 26<sup>th</sup> English Mass will be celebrated at 9am followed by Spanish Mass at 10:30am. The collection will go to Catholic Ladies Relief Food Locker.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** There will be an EMHC training Mon, Nov 30 at 7:15 in the church for all new EMHC's and all others who would like a review. ALSO: More EMHC's are needed for the 5:30pm Vigil Mass. Please consider committing to that Mass.

**Caring Tree:** Once again it's that time of year for our annual St. John's/St. James Christmas Caring Tree. Your gift helps accomplish 2 things - The recipient will be pleased to be remembered and 2<sup>nd</sup> God will bless your generosity. Thank you for your past donations and gifts as well as those to come! Contact Jean Rabo if you have any questions 345-3388.



**Angel Tree** helps children of prisoners. Angel Tree tags will be available before and after every mass starting Nov 28-29. Please drop off wrapped gifts with tag by Tues, Dec 15<sup>th</sup> at the parish office. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**NOTRE DAME - GRANT WRITING:** Notre Dame School is looking for a grant writer to research, write and apply for educational grants for school programs. This is a volunteer position for the 2009-2010 school year. If you or someone you know has grant writing or related experience, contact Chris Seibert, Director of Development at 342-2502.



**Torres Shelter:** Groups or individuals are needed to help prepare, purchase and serve meals at the Torres Shelter! If you feel called to this ministry please call Jerry Converse at 342-2134 to volunteer and to get all the details about this much needed service in our Chico Community.

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE

[stjohnthebaptistchico.org](http://stjohnthebaptistchico.org)

Fr. Berg's email: [fatherbrberg@yahoo.com](mailto: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, November, 21st and 22nd (re-air), Joe will consider the significance of the close of the liturgical year. The following week Joe will record a program on the Catholic understanding to Thanksgiving.** Please do not hesitate to send Joe any of your questions. You can e-mail Joe at [jholljnj@yahoo.com](mailto: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.

**A Taize Prayer Service:** There will be NO Taize service during the month of November. For more information contact John Few at 897-0675.

**Mens Bible Study Group:** The Catholic Men's Bible study has been meeting since 1975 and meets at Our Divine Savior on Friday mornings at 6:00. We study Scripture for an hour and then, those that are free, meet at a restaurant to eat. The only things needed to bring are an open heart and a desire to know Christ more intimately. We use the New American Bible and all are most welcome. Any questions, please call Deacon Steve Schwartz at 891-0626 or at [sschwa1985@aol.com](mailto:sschwa1985@aol.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. We will be studying the book of Revelations with "the First, Second, and Third Letters of St. John and the Revelation to St. John" using the Ignatius Catholic Study Bible. We will also be viewing the tapes from Scott Hahn regarding the Lambs Supper - The Mass as Heaven on Earth. If you want to pick up the books yourself you can use the internet at [amazon.com](http://amazon.com) or we can try to a group order if I get calls by November 19th so that we can meet on Thursday December 3rd. We meet in the Knights of Columbus room in the social center at ODS from 6:45pm to 9 pm. Come and join us. If you have any questions or you would like a book ordered 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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*



meetings for all parents who have a child making their First Communion or Confirmation.

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**Have you ever heard people come to church and then say "they are all hypocrites", "I don't need Mass, I can just pray on my own", "the Church claims to be one family but there is so much division", "why would I want to be a part of this Church". Christ came for the hypocrites and the sinners so come meet some if you are in high school. We meet from 7-8:30pm starting in the gym this Sunday November 22<sup>nd</sup>.**



❖ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ❖

**Respect for Life: Respect for Life Committee: Help Wanted.** People who respect life, abhor violence, and are willing to peacefully pray at one or both of the two abortion establishments in Chico. We need you! Simply go to Planned Parenthood on Vallombrosa on Wednesdays 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)

**Have you given Christ dominion over your life? Do you seek His will before your own? Is your marriage rooted in this? Does this principal guide your relationship with others? Find support at [www.canfp.org](http://www.canfp.org)**



**Marriage Encounter:** Let us all be thankful for the gift of our vocation. Learn how to enrich your vocation of Marriage or Holy Orders by attending an enrichment made just for you. The next local Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be Feb 12-14 in Sacramento. Early registration is highly recommended. Contact Stephanie and Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 or email [burkett7@sbcglobal.net](mailto:burkett7@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

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



# I Am the Alpha and the Omega

## AROUND THE DIOCESE and beyond ✦

**Life & Dignity Sunday:** At the request of Bishop Jaime Soto, all parishes in the Diocese of Sacramento will be focusing attention on our civic responsibilities by inviting interested parishioners to register for a newly created Catholic Legislative Network. It has been described as a "Voice for Life and Dignity in California." Next weekend there will be a one-page explanation of the Network and Life & Dignity Sunday in our parish bulletin. Please read it and then carefully and prayerfully consider registering for the Catholic Legislative Network on Dec 5 & 6.

**Newman Center Confirmation Classes:** If you are a college student or an adult who needs to be Confirmed please call the Newman Center at 342-5180 for information.

**Respect Life Coordinator:** The Diocese of Sacramento has an immediate opening for a Respect Life Coordinator. This full-time position provides leadership in all aspects of the Catholic Church's pro-life please visit [www.diocese-sacramento.org](http://www.diocese-sacramento.org) under Employment: Job Announcements. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

**University of Sacramento** is excited to announce the Spring 2010 *Introduction to the Catechism* online course. The online offering will engage students in the foundations of the Catholic faith in a lively and interactive online experience. Aspects to be covered include key elements in the first part of the Catechism, plus an understanding of evangelization and conversion. This six-week series will also include an introduction to the central place of prayer in the life of the believer. Join us for this engaging and life-giving study. For all the details call 916-443-4760 ext. 16 and ask for DeAnna.

### **Called and Chosen + Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> 2009: Diocese of Sacramento Young Adult Conference**

Isn't it about time you got SERIOUS about your baptismal call? Open to all young adults (age 18-39). Join us at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in El Dorado Hills. The day will feature Stan Cordero, Delis Alejandro and the Young Adult Ministry Team from St. Monica Parish in Santa Monica, with music from Papa Joe Lucero and his band! Cost for the day is \$20 and includes lunch, a t-shirt and childcare. Get all the details and register at [www.yaconference.com](http://www.yaconference.com) or call 916-733-0152.

**St. Patrick's Seminary & University:** "Have You Ever Thought About Becoming a Catholic Priest?" Interested? Attend a Discernment Retreat, Jan 15-17 2010 at St. Patrick's Seminary & University to better understand if a vocation to the ministry of God's

priesthood is for you. For more information, please contact Fr. Chris Frazer at 343-8741.

**World Day of the Sick:** A celebration held in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes, Feb 20, 12pm at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. Please join Bishop Jaime Soto for a special Mass which will include: Anointing of the Sick, Blessing of the Caregivers, and Blessing with Lourdes Water. For those receiving the anointing, please arrive by 11:30am for seating.

## CALENDAR ✦

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|------|----|--|
| Sun  | 22 | Our Lord Jesus Christ the King<br>10:30am-12pm CFF                           |
| Mon  | 23 | 34 <sup>th</sup> week in Ordinary Time<br>St. Clement I<br>6-8pm English AA  |
| Tues | 24 | St. Andrew Dung-Lac/companions   |
| Wed  | 25 | St. Catherine of Alexandria<br>6-9pm Spanish AA<br>7-9pm Boy Scouts Troop #2 |
| Thu  | 26 | Thanksgiving Day<br>Office Closed  |
| Fri  | 27 | NO ADORATION<br>Office Closed<br>6-9pm Spanish AA                            |
| Sat  | 28 | 10am Confessions   |

### **Library Hours & News:**

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



### **Pope Benedict's Intentions for November**

**General prayer intention:** That all the men and women in the world, especially those who have responsibilities in the field of politics and economics, may never fail in their commitment to safeguard creation.

**Mission intention:** That believers in the different religions, through the testimony of their lives and fraternal dialogue, may clearly demonstrate that the name of God is a bearer of peace.

### **EMHC AND LECTOR SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER**

| TIME       | EMHC  | LECTOR                             |
|------------|---|------------------------------------|
| 5:30pm Sat | Karen Neadley<br>Dori Terrell<br>Dan Terrell                                | Tom Hixson<br>Arlie Hixson         |
| 7:30am Sun | Ona Mertens<br>Jean Mayer<br>Yolanda Holt                                   | Marlene Lach<br>John O'Hara        |
| 9:00am Sun | Ernie Behr<br>Stephanie Beyers<br>Aric Cook<br>Bill McKellar<br>Diane Smith | Stephanie Burkett<br>Donna Houston |

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Lk 21:1-4

Tuesday: Dn 2:31-45; Lk 21:5-11

Wednesday: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Lk 21:12-19

Thursday: Dn 6:12-28; Lk 21:20-28  
Thanksgiving Day—Suggested:  
Sir 50:22-24; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19

Friday: Dn 7:2-14; Lk 21:29-33

Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2;  
Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

**Liturgy of the Hours Week II**

11/22/09