



**32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 7, 2010**

✧ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✧		
Sat 6	7:30a	DJM Intentions
	5:30p	Kelly Cornell (living) by Casey O'Brien
Sun 7		32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
	7:30a	no intention
	9:00a	People of the Parish
	12:30p	Fatima Vazquez (living-b'day) by Vazquez Family
	5:30p	Jane Rabo (living) by Konyn Family
Mon 8	7:30a	no intention
Tues 9		DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME
	7:30a	Teresa Koi (living) by Santos Family
Wed 10		ST. LEO THE GREAT
	7:30a	✧ Steve Rowling (living) by Mike & Jane Rabo
	6:45p	no intention
Thur 11		ST. MARTIN OF TOURS
	7:30a	✧ George Santos by Barbara Santos
Fri 12		ST. JOSAPHAT, BISHOP
	7:30a	✧ Rose Frigiola by John Few
	8:45a	Notre Dame School Families
Sat 13		ST. FRANCES XAVIER CABRINI
	7:30a	no intention
	5:30p	✧ Octavio Ordonez by Carrillo Family
		✧ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✧
Sun 7	9:00a	✧ Claire Grzanich by Grzanich Family
	10:30a	✧ Simitria Barron by Sonia Villa
Latin Mass	1:00p	no intention
		<i>Please pray for the repose of the souls of all our family and friends.</i>

5th week of October

Collection	Actual	Budget
Oct 31	\$6,981	\$4,536
Year to date	\$130,263	\$145,928

St. James total for Oct 31: (\$879)

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

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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

On November 2, we celebrated All Souls Day and during the month of November we take special care to remember the faithfully departed in prayer. Christians have always prayed for the dead and have done penance on their behalf. In the Old Testament, we read how through his sacrifices Job purified his sons (Job 1:5) and in 2 Maccabees, Judas Maccabeus "made atonement for the dead that they be delivered from their sin" (II Macc 12:46).

Having Masses said for deceased loved ones is a tradition that goes back to the early centuries of the Church. Indeed, at every single Mass, in particular during the Eucharistic prayer, we pray for the faithfully departed. We pray for those who need to be completely purified of all stain of sin before they come into full union with God in Heaven—pretty much all of us! The Church's teaching about Purgatory, the place of purification, is explained in the Catechism of the Catholic Church, paragraphs 1030-1032. "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter heaven." (CCC, 1030)

This November in a special way, but certainly every month, we want to pray for those whom we knew and loved, but also for the "poor souls," those who may have no one to pray for them. May the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

In Christ,
Fr. Blaise Berg

Mass & Confession Changes Starting Sat Nov 27

If you missed Fr. Berg's letter last weekend, here are the Masses changes that will take place starting on the first weekend of Advent, Nov 27-28.

St. John's

Saturday Vigil Masses: **5pm (English), 7pm (Spanish)**

Sunday Masses

7:30am, 9am, **11am (Spanish), 1pm Latin Mass, 5pm Life Teen**

Confessions: **8-9am and 4-4:45pm on Saturday**

St. James

Sunday Mass Schedule at St. James: **9am English only**

Novena for All Souls: All Souls Day envelopes are available in the vestibule of the church. Please write the names of your loved ones who have passed away so they will be remembered in our novena of daily Masses throughout the month of November.

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".

Opportunity for Parents/Adults! Everyone is invited! This Sunday's parents meeting is on The Mass. This is a required meeting for those parents who have children receiving Sacraments this year. Please come to the Upper Meeting Room 10:30 am to Noon. All are welcome.

Special Note: "Dear Adorers, Please do not leave reading material in the Adoration Chapel that hasn't been approved by our Chapel Librarian. We have very limited space on the book shelf! Thank you for your consideration in this matter. If you have any questions please call Javier (566-0358) and Erika (330-2594), the Chapel Co-Coordinators. The Chapel will be open on Thanksgiving Day, what a perfect opportunity to truly give thanks to the Creator of the Universe! Those scheduled, please plan on covering your time slot or getting a sub for your hour if you can not make it. Thank you!



Choir News: The choir will be singing compline (the office in the liturgy of the hours that is said just before bedtime) every Tuesday night at 7:15pm until further notice. Anyone is welcome to join!

Marysville Deanery of Catholic Women: will meet Nov 17 in Marysville at St. Joseph's Parish Hall. Please RSVP by Nov 15 to Patricia Mescher 530-743-9924. Registration 10:30am, Mass 11am, Luncheon 12noon. Cost \$4. Please come, bring a friend and make new friends. Questions/Information contact Maureen T. Burns at 342-8458 (Evenings). We look forward to seeing you.

OPEN YOUR HEART AND HOME... Have experience working with individuals with disabilities? Have an extra bedroom? *California MENTOR* is a Family Home Agency looking for people who are willing to provide care and guidance for adults (18 yrs+) with developmental disabilities. A competitive monthly stipend will be provided. If interested, please contact Barbie Sartain at (530) 227-1587 or (530) 892-9200. Make a difference in someone's life!

Advent Vigil for New Life: On Saturday evening, November 27, at the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Sacramento, Bishop Jaime Soto will lead a vigil for all human life at its beginning stages of development. A Procession and Rosary will begin outside the Shrine at 5:30pm followed by Benediction and Vespers in the Shrine at 6:20 pm. No pre-registration required. For more information please call (919)733-0123.

Youth Director Jeff Weinrich
343-8741

Feeling lucky? Come join us for our casino night at 6:30 in the upper meeting room. If you have never come to Lifeteen then this is THE lifenight to attend, we will be playing a ton of games and giving away over \$100 in prizes from places such as Tinseltown movie theater, Great Harvest bread company, itunes, Best Buy and much more!!!

By the perfect exercise of only one virtue, a person may attain to the height of all the rest. – St. Gregory Nazianzen

Religious Education Questions - Call 343-8741

Youth Sacrament Program is intended for students in eighth grade through senior year in high school. Any students in this age range who need the sacrament of Confirmation, First Communion, First Penance or Baptism should enroll. The class runs from 4pm-5:30pm every Monday. Baptism and First Communion will be given on Easter Vigil, April 23. Confirmation will be administered when the bishop visits St. John's in early May. Please call Raquel Ruiz at 343-8741 to enroll.

✧ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ✧

Catholics Returning Home: We all know people whose hearts and hopes have been narrowed by suffering and the challenges of life. Perhaps they have become bitter and angry swallowed up by blame or regret. Some remain stuck in "if only" unable to move forward because they see a future devoid of hope and separation from the merciful hand of God. If you know people like this let them know about Catholics Returning Home. Sessions will begin on Monday Nov 29 from 7-8:30pm in the Prayer Room at ODS. This is a collaborative ministry of the Chico Parishes. For more information contact Sharon Haselton 891-5334 or Deacon Burkett 893-2348.



Scripture Study/Radio: Joe Hollcraft is live on AM 930 and FM 107.5 at 11:00a-12:00p 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, November 6 and 7 (re-air), Joe will reflect into the important relationship that exists between the Resurrection of Jesus Christ and the sacrament of Marriage. Among other things, Joe will highlight the gift of life that is called to permeate married life. The following week, seminarian Aaron Rose will join Joe and they will discuss the meaning of apocalyptic literature (end times literature) as it relates to the Catholic faith.** Send Joe questions to jholljmj@yahoo.com

Rosary Prayer Group meets on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 pm in the church. For more information, call 898-1183 or 342-2323.

Taizé Prayer Service: Join us at 7:00 pm on Thursday, November 18th for Taizé at the Newman Center . Taizé is a quiet meditative prayer service using scripture and simple melodies to help us to us focus on God.

"Praise & Prayer" Group meets the 4th Wed of each month at the Newman Center from 7-8:15pm. For more details call Sharon, 891-5334 or Deacon James, 893-2348.

Women's Ministry Group has completed the book of Revelations. Our next venture will be to study the Gospel of Matthew. Our next meeting will be Nov 11th. If you would like fellowship in prayer and scripture with other women please come join our group. We meet at 6:45 pm on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays each month at the Social Hall of ODS, in the Knights of Columbus room. If you have any questions feel free to call Mary Waldorf at 345-8638.

Marriage: Sacrament of Communion : This class will be presented by Fr. Blaise Berg on Saturday, Nov 13, 2010 from 8:10am - 4:30pm at Sacred Heart Parish, 2355 Monroe Street, Red Bluff. This class is part of the *Lay Formation Institute* of the Diocese of Sacramento. The LFI is a program which provides opportunities for adults throughout the Diocese to become more knowledgeable about the Catholic faith, to grow spiritually, and to receive training for specific ecclesial ministries within the Catholic community. The Institute is open to catechists, teachers, parents, and lay men and women in the Diocese of Sacramento. Courses may be taken individually or as an entire Institute. Catechists receive 7 renewal credits in Church Teaching for taking this class.



Respect for Life: Each of us has a mission, each of us is called to change the world, to work for a culture of life, a culture forged by love and respect for the dignity of each human person.

—Pope Benedict XVI

Everyone is welcome to pray in front of Planned Parenthood on Wednesdays, which is now located at 3100 Cohasset Road, between Lupin and Lassen 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.

Walk for Life San Francisco 2011? Join thousands of women, men and children of goodwill on Saturday, January 22, 2011 in San Francisco to proclaim to the world that **Abortion Hurts Women!** Will you stand with us as we walk this journey together? We leave at 4:00 am from the St. John's parking lot. The walk is about 2.5 miles. The cost is around \$35 – \$40 per person depending on how many people go. For more info and to let me know if you are interested call Mary Waldorf at 345-8638.



Marriage Encounter: “So do not be ashamed for your testimony to our Lord” (Today’s Second Reading) Does your sacrament of Marriage witness the Sign of God’s love? Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter give you tools to increase your Sacramental Sign. **The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends Nov. 12-14 in Santa Rosa, CA, and February 11-13 in Sacramento, CA.** Early registration is highly recommended. For more information call Stephanie and Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 if we are able to get forty or more registration by January we will have a weekend in the North Valley Area.

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).

“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. Our group will present informal discussion topics on the role of motherhood and faith formation for our children in a warm and supportive atmosphere. Please join us! Call Elizabeth Nice for more details: 828-9069.



We are called as God's faithful servants and members of our parish to:

- *Prayerfully discern how God has uniquely gifted each one of us – our time, our talents and our treasure.*
- *Reflect on what priority God and His Church play in our lives.*
- *Decide how we plan to share these gifts with God and His Church.*
- *Make an intentional, planned and proportionate gift to God and His Church in the areas of time in prayer, talent and treasure.*

Next weekend (Nov. 13-14) is our parish Stewardship Commitment Weekend. This week you should have received a letter and commitment form from Fr. Berg asking you to make a prayerful commitment of time in prayer, talent and treasure to our parish. Please be sure to complete your Stewardship Commitment Form and place it in the collection during Mass next weekend or return it by mail.

Library News & Hours:

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



Parish Library Friends:

The library staff is making reminder phone calls on all overdue books and DVD's. If you could please return any late items to the Parish Library or Office this will enable us to keep items in circulation for the use of all parishioners.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Ti 1:1-9; Lk 17:1-6
- Tuesday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22
- Wednesday: Ti 3:1-7; Lk 17:11-19
- Thursday: Phlm 7-20; Lk 17:20-25
- Friday: 2 Jn 4-9; Lk 17:26-37
- Saturday: 3 Jn 5-8; Lk 18:1-8
- Sunday: Mal 3:19-20a; Ps 98; 2 Thes 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

Liturgy of the Hours Week IV

