

Our Lord Jesus Christ the King

November 25, 2007

Welcome Bishop Jaime Soto Please join us in welcoming our new coadjutor bishop to St. John's, Saturday, December 8, Feast of the Immaculate Conception. This will be a Regional Mass of Welcome at noon with a reception following in the cafeteria. The priests of the Sutter Butte Deanery will concelebrate.



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

Our Divine Savior – Mon Dec 3rd at 11:30am
Newman Center – Tues Dec 11th at 7:15pm
St. John's – Mon Dec 17th at 7pm
St. Thomas More, Paradise – Dec 19 at 3:30pm

PICTURE MAKE-UPS: If you were unable to make your scheduled time to have your family picture taken for our new parish directory, the make-up days will be Sun Dec 9th and Mon Dec 10th. If we do not already have your name on the make-up list please call the parish office, 343-8741.

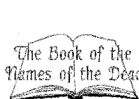
Giving Tree: Coming Dec 2nd you will have the chance to get an envelope with the name and "wish list" of one of our beloved friends in a care home or who is a shut-in. Pick out a name, wrap a gift with name tag attached and deliver it to the parish office by Dec. 17.



The Angel Tree helps children of prisoners. Angel tags will be available before and after every mass starting Dec 2nd. Drop off wrapped gifts with tag by Dec 17th at the parish office. Call Karen or Bruce Neadly at 345-4350 to help.

Spaghetti Feed The Knights of Columbus will host a spaghetti feed Sunday, Dec 9, from 5:30-7:30pm at St. John's. Adults \$8, Children (under 12) \$4, and a family (parents and two or more children) \$20. Call Hector Hernandez for tickets and information 892-1936.

Catholic Daughters: Nov 28th Birthday Luncheon, 11:30am at Scrambles Restaurant. Dec 2nd Bake Sale at ODS with Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast after all masses. Bring baked goods on Sat, 2pm to 4pm to ODS or 9am on Sun.



All Souls Day: The Book of the Dead is in the front of the church for the month of November. Please write the names of your loved ones who have passed away so that we can remember them throughout the month. Envelopes for the novena of masses are available at the back of the church.

Christmas Party for the Homeless: Mark your calendar Dec 18th. The Catholic communities of Chico will host the homeless in the social hall at ODS parish from 5 to 7pm. The theme for the party is "We Have Room in Our Inn." Look for all the details in next week's bulletin.

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE
stjohnthebaptistchico.org

Fr. Brent's email: fbrent@stjohnthebaptistchico.org
 St. John Office email address: stjohn33@sbcglobal.net

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✦

Sat	24	7:30a	✦ Vivian Reginato by Rosina Reginato
		5:30p	✦ Frank & Helen Neadly by Bruce Neadly
Sun	25	7:30a	Mary Valine (living)
		9:30a	People of God
		12:30p	Maria Tracy Perales by Ester Perales
Latin Mass		2:30p	Special Intention
		5:30p	✦ Emmanuel Bonnici by B.J. & Lisa LaRossa
Mon	26	7:30a	Brad Boswell (living/B'day) by Gail Boswell
Tue	27	7:30a	John & Andrea Stalker (anniv) by Lona Stalker
Wed	28	7:30a	Don Carlson (living/B'day) by Gail Boswell
		7:00p	✦ Victor R. Marrero by Lupe Alfaro
Thur	29	7:30a	✦ Loren & Lucille Godwin by Emilene Souza
Fri	30	7:30a	Larry Juanarena (living) by Barbara Santos
		8:30a	Barbara Koster (living) by Dan & Dori Terrell
Sat	1	7:30a	Special Intention
		5:30p	Steve Rowling (living) by Jane Rabo

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦

Sun	25	9:00a	Larry Juanarena (living) by Barbara Santos
		10:30a	Carmen Pereyda Anerson (living) by Dan Canchola

Pray for the repose of the soul of Joe Miguel, Vince Starwyck, and for the comfort of their family and friends.

Weekly Offering

3 rd week of November	
Sunday Collection	\$7285
Maintenance Collection	\$ 225 (total mo. to date \$2,792)
Rectory kitchen repair	\$ 120 (total to date: \$9,449)
TOTAL:	\$7,630

May your faithful generosity bring you blessings of joy, for the Bible says, "God loves a cheerful giver!"
 --2 Corinthians 9:7

(NEW E-MAIL)

Chico_lt_ym@yahoo.com

Andrea Florez, Youth Director 530-961-2050

If you have any questions or would like more information about our programs, please call Andrea.

LIFE TEEN - The Waiting Game - What are we waiting for? Why are we waiting? What's coming? Join us on Sunday, Nov 25, 7-8:45pm at St. John's gym to find out.

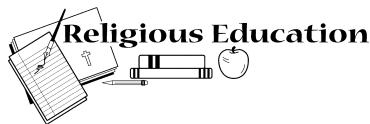
EDGE - Training Day - Conditioning, practice, game day, coaches, teammates. What do any of these things have to do with your faith? Join us on Monday, November 26th from 7-8:30pm in the ODS Hall to find out.

Youth 2000 - Retreat registration forms are available after all masses this weekend at ODS, Newman Center, and St. John's. The retreat is January 11th-13th in Redding. The cost for the retreat is \$45 per teen. This retreat is open to all teens 13 and up. If you would like to donate money to help with scholarships' please contact Andrea.

LIFE TEEN - XLT is next Sunday December 2nd. Our speaker this month is Marijeanne Birchard, and she is talking to us about waiting patiently.

EDGE - Courage

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



Religious Education Questions
Call 343-8741

Youth Sacrament Program is for students in 7th thru 12th grades who have not received all the sacraments (Baptism, 1st Penance, 1st Communion) and students in 8th thru 12th who have not received Confirmation. If the student has not received one or more of these sacraments their parents should enroll them in this program by calling 343-8741 or coming to the parish office to register.

Sacramental Parents Classes are for parents who have children receiving Sacraments this year. The required classes will be Sunday Dec 2; Tues Jan 22, Feb 19, March 11, April 22, and Sun May 4. Watch for details of time and place.

All CFF parents are encouraged to attend the following 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.

***Sunday, Dec. 2 (gym at 11am)**
Tuesday Jan. 22 (UMR at 7pm)
Tuesday Feb. 19 (UMR at 7pm)

✦ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ✦

Catholics Returning Home: A Ministry of Compassion and Reconciliation is designed to reach-out and encourage non-practicing Catholics to return "Home to the Catholic Church" and resume active practice of their faith. For more details contact co-director's Ms. Sharon Haselton at 343-8741 or Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348.

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



SCRIPTURE
STUDY

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. **On November 24th and 25th Joe will re-air the program from the previous week on "Thanksgiving" as he will be out of town.** The following week Joe will be joined by a guest as they teach on the meaning of Advent in light of the Gospel of Matthew. Be sure not to miss this great opportunity to better understand the Bible and the structure of our faith. You can email Joe at jholljnj@yahoo.com if you have any questions about the radio program and/or the Catholic faith.

✦ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ✦



Respect for Life Committee: God allows good and evil to be at war with each other, and allows his people to choose sides. In this context, we can understand our Church's defense of human life today. A full-scale war has been launched against life. Be among the challenger's of policies which contradict the Gospel of Life. The next Respect Life Committee meeting will be November 19 at 3:30 in St. John's church library please join us.

Mothers' Prayer Group: All mothers and little ones are invited to join a "pray and play" group every Thursday at 10:30am. We will be meeting in the preschool room at ODS for prayer, fellowship, and fun! If you have any questions, please call Marijeanne Birchard at 343-6912.



Marriage Encounter: Family Christmas Party will be Sat. Dec 8, 6pm at ODS. 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).

The Notre Dame Alumni Club of Northern CA. invites all those interested in music to meet Fr. Michael Driscoll, Dir. of the Masters in Sacred Music Program at the University of Notre Dame. Fr. Driscoll will be here at St. John's Sat, Dec. 8, 8:30-10am. Admission is free. There will be an open forum discussion on any topic related to liturgical music in the Mother Teresa Room of St. John's parish offices. Coffee and donuts will be served. If you have any questions, please contact Steve Schwartz at 891-0626.

2007-2008 Diocesan Scripture Institute is underway with presentations on the Bible being given every Tuesday evening from 7-9pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center. These presentations are digitally video recorded and available for viewing over the Internet free of charge. How to view the video presentations: Go to <http://diocese-sacramento.org> – Go to "Evangelization & Catechesis" on the left main menu – Click on "Scripture Institute" – Choose the topic you wish to learn about and click "View Streaming Video" next to that topic.

Old-Time Christmas: Gospel Benefit Concert for the Table of Plenty Food Ministry Dec 1st, 7:30-9pm at St Thomas More in Paradise. Free admission featuring Fret Not Gospel Band. A collection will be taken up for the Table of Plenty. Come and enjoy old-time American roots gospel music. Please call Stephanie Gregorio at 877-1485 for more information.

FOSTER PARENTS NEEDED: Do you love Kids?! Are you ready to grow as a person and as a parent? Then open your heart and home to a child who needs you: Become a Remi Vista Foster Parent. Remi Vista, Inc. is a company that has been serving Northern California for 35 years. Their agency is comprised of Christian individuals who are dedicated to serving Christ, children and families of Northern California. They are in desperate need of new foster families in Chico, Oroville and the surrounding areas. For more information, call 893-4784 or visit their web site at: www.remivista.com

Bereaved Parents is a national non-profit self-help group that offers support, understanding, compassion and hope to parents after the death of a child. All are welcome. We meet the second Thursday of each month at 7pm at Faith Lutheran Church, 667 E. 1st Ave in room #9. For information call Cathy Boutwell, 345-8905 or Lisa Palmer, 894-7025.

Healing After Abortion Retreat: Do you know someone hurting after an abortion? Still seeking peace years later? Experience the healing love of Jesus at Rachel's Vineyard Retreat in Auburn, sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento. A weekend retreat includes sharing of stories, spiritual exercises, sacraments and a memorial service. Open to women, men, couples and family members touched by abortion. The cost is \$150 for meals, private room and all retreat materials. Financial assistance is available. For more information, call Edie at 916-733-0161 or 1-888-HOPE-790 or email esickman@diocese-sacramento.org.

Sun. 25	Feast of Christ the King 10:45-noon CFF 2:30pm Latin Mass 6:45pm Life Teen
Mon. 26	6-8pm English AA 6:30-8pm BSA #2 (Convent) 6-7p Guadalupe 7-9pm Spanish Cursillo
Tues. 27	6pm Vespers 6:30pm choir practice 7pm Span CFF teachers mtg 7p Centennial Planning mtg (office) 7pm Grupo Carismatico 7pm Spanish baptism class
Wed. 28	3:30-5pm Youth Sacrament Class 6-9 Spanish AA 6pm Spanish Coro 7pm Span Mass 7pm BSA #2 (Cafeteria)
Thur. 29	6pm Spanish Confirmation class 7pm rosary
Fri. 30	St Andrew 6-7am men's Bible Study (ODS) 6:15am Bible Study (St John's) 3:30-4:30pm Adoration 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat. 1	First Saturday 9am Spanish baptisms 9-11am Pro-Life Prayer Group 10am Confessions 12-2pm Spanish CFF 6pm Spanish Coro
END OF THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 2007	

Library Hours:

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

Wednesday 9-noon and Thursday 9-noon



Pope Benedict XVI's Prayer Intentions for November

General prayer intention: "That those dedicated to medical research and all those engaged in legislative activity may always have deep respect for human life, from its beginning to its natural conclusion."

Mission intention: "That in the Korean peninsula the spirit of reconciliation and peace may grow."

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
- Friday: Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
- Saturday: Dn 7:15-27; Lk 21:34-36
- Sunday: Is 2:1-5; Ps 122; Rom 13:11-14; Mt 24:37-44

Liturgy of the Hours – Week II

