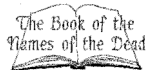


31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 4, 2007



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.

✦ Mass Intentions ~St. John the Baptist ✦

Sat 3	7:30a	Special intention
	5:30p	✦ Manuel Bettencourt by Diane
Sun 4	7:30a	✦ Robert Goldman by Sylvia
	9:30a	People of God
	12:30p	
Latin Mass	2:30p	Special Intention
	5:30p	✦ Karen Callicott by Marijeanne
Mon 5	7:30a	✦ John & Mary O'Hara by John
Tue 6	7:30a	✦ John Reginato by Rosina Reginato
Wed 7	7:30a	Jason Van Buskirk by Lona
Thur 8	7:30a	Charles Nelson by Karen Neadly
Fri 9	7:30a	✦ Edwin Carlson by Dori Terrell
Sat 10	7:30a	✦ Richard Vercruyssen by Sutthoff
	5:30p	Gene & Sharlene Tenbrink by Jean (50 th wedding anniversary)

✦ Mass Intentions ~St. James ✦

Sun 4	9:00 a	Chris & Laura Rabo by Mike & Jane (living / anniversary)
	10:30a	✦ Simitria Barron by Sonia Villa

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

Weekly Offering

4th week of October

Sunday Collection	\$ 7,734
Rectory kitchen repair	\$ 450 (total to date: \$8,504)
TOTAL:	\$ 8,184

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

--2 Corinthians 9:7

FIRST MONDAY: ADORATION/EXPOSTION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Monday, Nov 5th after 7:30am Mass
Benediction will be at 3pm



BISHOP SOTO WELCOME: On Monday November 19th at 2pm there will be a Mass of Welcome at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Sacramento for Bishop Jaime Soto, our new Coadjutor Bishop. Our parish has been allotted just eight tickets (we have five left). If you are interested in attending please call the parish office at 343-8741. If more than eight are interested, we'll draw names from a hat.

PARISH DIRECTORY: If we have 20-25 families who still need their picture taken for our new directory, we can schedule a makeup day. So if you missed your appointment, or never made one now's your chance. Please call the parish office ASAP at 343-8741 if you are interested. We do not want anyone to be left out!

Calling All Altar Servers!!! We are trying to make a complete list of altar servers and a schedule. If you are an altar server and have not turned in an altar server application to Mrs. Beyers, or have not checked the list at Life Teen, please call Ann Baumgartner at 343-8930. Leave a message including your name, phone number and time of the Mass you prefer to serve at. We are in great need of servers at the Saturday 5:30pm Vigil Mass and the 7:30am Sunday Mass.

Choir Rehearsal: Needed → VOICES to make a joyful noise for Advent and Christmas – WE NEED YOU!!! Practices are on Tuesday nights from 6:30-8pm in the Church. For more information call Sally 343-1011 or the office 343-8741. Please join us.

Catholic Women's Ministry: We come together again in friendships in prayer and reading with more Catholic ladies from all 3 parishes. This month we will be discussing Chapter 2 of the book "Experience Grace in Abundance, Ten strategies for your spiritual life" by Johnette Benkovic. If you would like to join us and make new friends while growing in your faith, know you are welcome. If you have any questions please call Pat Hackney at 342-5528 or Mary Waldorf at 345-8638 and leave a message. Our next meeting will be Thursday, November 8th from 6:45 -9:00pm at ODS Social Hall.

Catholic Daughters Calendar: Nov 2- First Friday mass 8am at ODS. Nov 8th- Memorial Mass 8am at ODS for deceased members; Avis Carlon, Mary Dias and Rose Hasty. Continental Breakfast with meeting to follow.

Catholic Ladies Relief Society #3: will meet at ODS, 8am Nov 4th, for Mass for our deceased members. Brunch (potluck) and meeting to follow. We look forward to seeing you. If you have any questions, please call Sandy at 345-1601 or Yvonne at 898-1266. Also, a big thank you to everyone who helped with the Boy Scout Food Drive for the "Chico Community Food Locker"!

Christmas Party for the Homeless: Mark your calendar Christmas Party for the Homeless on Dec 18th. The catholic communities of Chico will host the homeless in the social hall at ODS, parish from 5 to 7 PM. The theme for the party tentatively is, "We have room in our Inn." We formed preliminary committees and will soon meet to plan all the needed activities to host the gal even.

Exploring Holiday Options after the Loss of a Loved One is the topic of a workshop to be held at ODS, 566 Lassen Ave, Chico on Sunday, Nov 18, 1-4pm. There is no charge and all are welcome. Facilitators will be Lyn Dorenzo, founder of the Widowhood Program and Tracy Guerra, LCSW. The workshop is sponsored by the Chico Catholic Community Consolation Ministry. If you have any questions call Karen Monroe at 343-8741.

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE

stjohnthebaptistchico.org

Fr. Brent's email: frbrent@stjohnthebaptistchico.org

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

(NEW E-MAIL)

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 – XLT is Sunday November 4th. This is an awesome prayer experience with a great talk, praise and worship, and adoration. We begin with a free dinner at 6:30pm in the cafeteria of St. John's and then back up to the church. Our speaker this month is Joe Hollcraft.

NO EDGE – There is no EDGE Monday November 5th we do hav EDGE again November 12th.

THANK YOU to all the LIFE TEEN and EDGE teens and families that helped to sort for the Boy Scout canned food drive.

Next week LIFE TEEN – The Waiting Game

EDGE – Training Day

❖ **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 Oct 28 and Dec, 2 Tues. Jan 22, Feb 19, March 11, April 22, and Sun. May 4 Sun. 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, Oct 28 (gym at 11am)
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 info call Sharon Haselton: 891-5334, 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 3rd

and 4th Joe will be joined by Fr. Blaise Berg as they teach and discuss on Zaccheus and the wealthy man. The following week Joe will be joined by Connie Freitas and they will teach and discuss on the meaning of Heaven. Be sure not to miss this great opportunity to better understand the Bible and the structure of our faith.

❖ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ❖



Respect for Life Committee: Respect Life Committee: Next meeting is Nov 19th, 3:30pm, in the library at St. John's. See *Bella, the Movie*. This is a powerful and moving

film and is the winner of the People's choice Award at the Toronto Film Festival. It is a true inspiration, capturing the beauty of life. It is playing through November 8 at Cinemark Century 14, 1555 Eureka Road, Roseville. http://www.cinemark.com/century_showtimes.asp?fandango_id=AAGBA. For more information on the movie see <http://www.bellathe-movie.com/>. The next Respect Life Committee meeting will be November 19 at 3:30 in St. John's church library.

Mother's 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: 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).

Marysville Deanery Council of Catholic Women, Meeting:

November 8th, in Marysville, CA at St. Joseph's Catholic at 7th and C Street. Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Roy Doner at 11:00 a.m. Lunch is \$4.00 per person. Please call Lorraine Mosley (530) 896-1733 or Mona Wilson (530) 743-5870 for lunch reservations and car pool information. All Catholic women are invited to attend.

FOSTER PARENTS IN NEED: 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



MERCY HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL AUCTION & RAFFLE – You are cordially invited to “A Starry Starry

Night” with Mercy High School and friends. Set aside, Sat Nov 10th to attend MHS’s Dinner, Auction, & Raffle. Enjoy a gourmet meal, fellowship, be in a raffle drawing for fantastic prizes, & have the opportunity to bid on awesome action items! What a great opportunity to enjoy a lovely night out and support our Catholic high school. The Raffle donation is \$100 per ticket with a 1st prize of \$5,000, 2nd prize \$2,500, and 3rd prize a 43” Pioneer Plasma Flat Screen TV! Only 300 raffle tickets to be sold, great odds for you to win! Table Sponsors and auction items also being accepted. Raffle tickets available by contacting Francesca Marín at 529-2396. Dinner Auction tickets are \$60 each, reserve your tickets by calling Maggie Dorsett at 345-3353 or Mercy High School 527-8313.

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. Inquiries and participation are strictly confidential.

Sat 3	9-11am Pro-Life Prayer Group 9am Spanish baptisms 10am Confessions 12-2pm Spanish CFF 12pm Guzman/Villalobos wedding 3pm Fellers/Thodas wedding
Sun 4	31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:45am CFF 2:30pm Latin Mass (St. John’s) 7pm XLT
Mon 5	All Day Adoration (8am-3pm) 6-8pm English AA 6-7 Span Liturgia mtg (parish library) 6:30-8pm BSA #2 (Convent) 7-9p Spanish Cursillo
Tues 6	8:15am parish Finance Committee mtg. 6:30 choir practice
Wed 7	3:30-5pm Youth Sacrament Class 6-8:30p PTO 6-9 Spanish AA 7pm BSA #2 (Cafeteria)
Thur 8	6:30-9pm RCIA (parish office) 7p rosary
Fri 9	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome 6-7am Men’s Bible Study (ODS) 3:30-4:30pm Adoration 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat 10	St Leo the Great 9-11am Pro-Life Prayer Group 10am Confessions 12noon wedding Jauregui/Lopez

Library Hours:

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



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Rom 11:29-36 Lk 14:12-14
- Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b Lk 14:15-24
- Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10; Lk 14:25-33
- Thursday: Rom 14:7-12; Lk 15:1-10
- Friday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9,12; 1Cor3:9c-11,16-17; Jn 2:13-22
- Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27; Lk: 16:9-15
- Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2,9-14; Ps 17; 2 Thes 2:16—3:5; Lk 20:27-38

Liturgy of the Hours - Week III

11/4/07

Travel to France: Pilgrimage to Catholic France (Lourdes & Other Sacred Sites) with Fr. Steve Avella, May 13th thru May 28th, 2008. For details call Karen Chappellear, 916-652-7560. Leaves from SFO.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the path by which adults become members of the Catholic Church. Call parish office for additional information or Deacon Steve Schwartz at 891-0626

Pope Benedict XVI's Prayer Intentions for October:

General prayer intention: That the Christians who are in minority situations may have the strength and courage to live their faith and persevere in bearing witness to it.

Mission intention: That World Missionary Day may be a propitious occasion for kindling an ever greater missionary awareness in every baptized person.