



Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 18, 2008

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✦		
Sat 18	7:30a	Dina Rabo (living -b'day) by Mom & Dad
	5:30p	Jerry & Irene Linse (56 th anniversary-living)
Sun 19	7:30a	Joe Lach (living -b'day)
	9:30a	Parish
	12:30p	no intention
	5:30p	Special intention
Mon 20	7:30a	✦ John Reginato and living family by Rosina Reginato
Tues 21	7:30a	Glenn & Ann Baumgartner (living -anniv)
Wed 22	7:30a	Nick Sajben (living -b'day)
	7:00p	Teresa Palacios (living -b'day)
Thu 23	7:30a	✦ Holy Souls in Purgatory
Fri 24	7:30a	✦ Yvonne Richard Cleo Richard (living)
	Sat 25	7:30a
	5:30p	no intention
✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦		
Sun 19	9:00a	✦ Claire Grzanich by Mom & Dad
	10:30a	no intention

Pray for the repose of the soul of Arniece Frei and for the comfort of their family and friends.

St John's official Centennial Celebrations will conclude on Nov. 22 with a special Mass celebrated by Bishop Jaime Soto which will be followed by a Eucharistic Procession to the city Plaza in downtown Chico. November 22nd, is the date in 1908 that the cornerstone of our church was laid. Please put this date on your calendar for this special liturgical event.

DIRECTORIES ARE IN! Our new St. John's directories are here! If you had your picture taken for the directory, you may come to the office to get your copy. Unfortunately, we do not have extras. Office hours are M -F 9a-4p

Rectory Completion: There will be a blessing of the newly renovated parish rectory on Nov. 1st after the 5:30pm Vigil mass with an open house following. On Sunday Nov. 2 the rectory will be open for tours after all the masses.

World Mission Sunday: This weekend we will be taking up a special collection for World Mission Sunday to support the Church's missionary activities. Offerings this Sunday provide financial assistance to about 1,500 missionary dioceses in Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the Pacific Islands. This is a practical way for us to show Christ's love for those whose practice of our faith needs our support. We appreciate your generosity for the Missions.

NOTICE: The locked cabinets in the cafeteria are being reorganized. Any organizations that are currently using any of the cabinets are asked to remove their items temporarily. Please let the office know who you are and how many cabinet spaces you need. 343-8741

Pack #2 Cub Scouts from St John's are taking orders for Christmas Wreaths, Sprays and Holiday Gifts after Masses until October 28th with delivery in early December. Contact Terry or Marie Huitt at 343-0017.

Catholic Daughters: Monthly meeting will be Wed Oct. 29. It will be a birthday Luncheon at Country Waffle at 11:30am

Adult Choir Rehearsal: If anyone would like to join the choir, practices are on Tuesday nights from 6:30-8pm in the Church. For more information call Sally 343-1011.

Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner: Fundraiser for LIFE TEEN, Join your friends and family on Sunday, November 9th for a Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner after the LIFE TEEN Mass. The proceeds go to help support youth ministry in our parish and the dinner is provided by the Knights of Columbus. Please look in the bulletin next week for more information.

2nd week of October

Sunday Collection \$8,378

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

--2 Corinthians 9:7

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❖ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ❖

Saint Joseph's Communications Inc presents: *Your Life in Christ*: Discover a Practical Guide to Everyday Spirituality with Joseph Hollcraft, M.A. In this all new three-CD series, Joseph Hollcraft, M.A. provides pertinent insights into the much-neglected topic of lay-Catholic spirituality. In these enlightening live recordings, Mr. Hollcraft draws from the wisdom of the Saints, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and the inspired words of Holy Scripture, to uncover and apply the timeless teaching of the Church to your life today. This is available in the parish office for \$20.

Saturday Night Bible Study: Join George Wing for a review of the Sunday scripture readings every Sat night, 7-8:30pm, at 975 Naomi Ave. Come at 7:00pm to visit. Each of the four lectionary selections will then be meditatively considered after prayerful reading. Special emphasis is placed on understanding the typological arrangement of the readings, and considering how the message of the scriptures can be applied immediately to our Christian life. Following discussion of the gospel reading, participants take time for intercessory and quiet, contemplative prayer. Guests wishing to depart recollected for the following day's Sunday liturgy may do so quietly. For more information call 342-4472.

Women of Grace Women's Ministry Great Adventure Bible Study Group. If you are interested in joining our group please read through Genesis chapters 12-24. Also James 2:14-23 with Catechism Nos. 143-147 and 154-155. we will be meeting again at ODS on Thursday October 23rd at ODS social Hall from 6:45-9pm. You are more than welcome to join the group. The books are finally in. If you wish to purchase the Bible timeline: The Story of Salvation Study Kit it can be purchased by calling Mary Waldorf at 345-8638. If you have any questions feel free to call Pat Hackney at 342-5528 or Mary Waldorf at 345-8638. Please bring your bible and your copy of the Catholic Catechism with you.

Rosary Prayer Group: The Rosary Prayer Group meets on Thursday evenings at 7pm. If you would like to participate call 342-2323 or 898-1183.

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



Scripture Study/Radio: Joe Hollcraft is live on AM 930 at 11:00am-12:00 each Saturday and Sunday (re-aired). This week and next, tune in to the Catholic Hour as Father Blaise joins Joe to examine the biblical text "render to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God" (Mt.22:15-21). Highlighted in this discussion will be the affirmation of our duty as citizens to form our conscience in truth towards this upcoming election. Simply put, God asks of us to take our faith (formed) into the election booth. Father Blaise and Joe consider this subject matter in light of our response to be sons and daughters of God. In addition, they will address the more prevailing topic of how to properly understand "freedom" and "choice". Prop 8 will also be addressed E-mail Joe at jhollmj@yahoo.com if you have any questions about the radio program and/or the Catholic faith.



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LIFE TEEN (grades 9-12) – Have you ever been white-water rafting? Come and join us on the LIFE TEEN River in the Upper Meeting Room (I bet you didn't even know we had a River up there) after the LIFE TEEN Mass from 7-8:30pm. You might need a life jacket for this night.

EDGE (grades 7&8) –Join us Monday night at the Newman Center Hall from 7-8:30pm, bring a friend we can't wait to see you there!

XLT – Sunday, November 2nd is our next XLT the first one of this school year. Come and hear what Sara Rigg's, from Roseville, has to share about challenges in her life and how her faith has helped her through. Join us after the 5:30pm Mass for a free dinner and then back in the Church for praise and worship, adoration and a talk with Sara.

RAISE MONEY FOR LIFE TEEN – Join your friends and family on Sunday, November 9th for a Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner after the LIFE TEEN Mass. The proceeds go to help support youth ministry in our parish and the dinner is provided by the Knights of Columbus. Please look in the bulletin next week for more information.

❖ **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 Confirmation). Questions call 343-8741. Class is every Wed from 3:30-5pm.



Please join us every Wed during the month of Oct to pray the rosary. We will meet in the church at 5:30pm.

Pope Benedict XVI's Prayer Intentions for October

***General:* That the Synod of Bishops may help bishops and theologians as well as catechists and pastoral workers engaged in the service of the Word of God transmit with courage the truth of the faith in communion with the entire Church.**

***Mission:* That in this month dedicated to the missions, through the promotional activities of the Pontifical Missionary Works and other organisms, the Christian may feel the need to participate in the Church's universal mission with prayer, sacrifice and concrete help.**

✧ MARRIAGE & FAMILY ✧

Respect for Life Committee: Every human person is created in the image and likeness of God. The conviction that human life is sacred and that each person has inherent dignity that must be respected in society lies at the heart of Catholic social teaching. Calls to advance human rights are illusions if the right to life itself is subject to attack. We believe that every human life is sacred from conception to natural death; that people are more important than things; and that the measure of every institution is whether or not it enhances the life and dignity of the human person. (US Bishops: Faithful Citizenship – Civic responsibility for a New Millennium, 1999) **The end to abortion must be the top moral issue in this election.** Please consider going to Planned Parenthood on Vallombrosa on Wednesdays or the Women’s Feminist Abortion Center on Humboldt Rd on Fridays. Come anytime from 10am to 4pm to pray for the lives of the unborn children. **Join the committee for their next meeting on Oct 20th, at 3:30pm in the parish library.**

Women’s Resource Clinic: 2008 Fundraising Benefit Banquet, Saturday, Nov. 15 at CSUC-Bell Memorial Hall
For information call 897-6101.

“Northern Lights” community Love Circle: Next meeting will be Nov. 8th, in the UMR at NDS.



Marriage Encounter: Make a great marriage even better! Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. **The next weekends in Sacramento are Oct 17-19 and Nov 14-16.** Call Stephanie & Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 for more information.

✧ AROUND THE DIOCESE and beyond ✧

A Celebration Dinner honoring Bishop Weigand for his years of service to our diocese will be Monday, Nov. 24th, 2008 at the Radisson Hotel in Sacramento. If you are interested in attending call the parish office for more details 343-8741



Join us in an evening of fine Bavarian food, beer, dancing, and games. All proceeds benefit the students of the Newman Center. **When: Sat, Oct 25th at 6:30pm.** **Where: St. Thomas Aquinas Newman Center.** **Cost: Adults \$10, Students \$8, Children \$6 and children under 5 are free.** Tickets are available at the Newman Center front desk Mon-Fri from 9am-4:30pm or after Sun Mass. Call 342-5180 for information.

Feast of Christ the King: Missa Cantata on Sunday, Oct 26th, at 2:30pm, on the Solemnity of Christ the King, Fr. Blaise Berg will celebrate a Tridentine Missa Cantata, or Sung Mass – the first in many years at St. John’s. The liturgical music will be enhanced by several members of the Chico State Chamber Singers. A Missa Cantata is sometimes called a “high mass”, but it is actually a form of Low Mass because it lacks a deacon and subdeacon. Otherwise the rubrics approximate that of a Solemn High Mass. The return of the Missa Cantata is an historic

event at St. John’s, and it is hoped that many will be able to attend.

Lay Formation Institute of the Diocese of Sacramento offers classes on timely topics for Catechist certification as well as continuing Adult Education, personal growth and spiritual enrichment. Classes will be held at the Newman Catholic Community in Chico one Saturday a month, October through April. The session begins with Mass at 8am and a morning session until noon followed by lunch and an afternoon session until 4pm. Call 916-733-0123 for more information or to register.

Healing After Abortion Retreat: Struggling after an abortion? Still seeking peace years after the choice? Come to a Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat, November 14-16 in Auburn, sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento. The weekend retreat is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. There are many exercises to help you grieve your loss and an opportunity to understand and release the deep feelings of anger, shame, guilt and grief that frequently accompanies an abortion experience. This process is extremely helpful for those who struggle with forgiving themselves or others. Open to women, men, couples and family members touched by abortion. The cost is \$175. Financial assistance is available. For a registration packet or more information, call Debbie at 916-733-0161. Inquiries and participation are strictly confidential.

CALENDAR ✧

Sun	19	29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time K of C Pancake Breakfast 2:30pm Latin Mass
Mon	20	St Paul of the Cross 6-8pm English AA 7-9pm Spanish Cursillo
Tues	21	7pm Grupo Carismático
Wed	22	6-9pm Spanish AA
Thur	23	St. John of Capistrano 7pm RCIA (in parish office)
Fri	24	St. Anthony Mary Claret 3:30-4:30pm Adoration 6-9pm Spanish AA
at	25	10am Confessions

Library Hours:

Sunday 8:15-9:30am & 10:30am-12:30pm
Thursday 9-11am



Have in you the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus.

-- Philipians 2:5

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Eph 2:1-10; Lk 12:13-21
Tuesday: Eph 2:12-22; Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12; Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Eph 3:14-21; Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Eph 4:1-6; Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Eph 4:7-16; Lk 13:1-9
Sunday: Ex 22:20-26; Ps 18; 1 Thes 1:5c-10;
Mt 22:34-40

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