



*The word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword.*  
 -- Hebrews 4:12a

**28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

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

<b>Sat 10</b>	7:30a	✦Candyce Cabrera by Garcia Family
	5:30p	✦Burton McGovern by the Schaeffer's
<b>Sun 11</b>	7:30a	✦Dan Dailey & Family (living)
		✦Matt Dailey
	9:00a	✦People of God
	10:30a	✦Teresa René Hup by Jeffrey White
	12:30p	✦Guadalupe & Alfredo Calderon by Zavala's
	5:30p	✦Denise Boutwell by family
<b>Mon 12</b>	7:30a	✦Anna Elizabeth Pilliard
<b>Tues 13</b>	7:30a	✦Constanza Medina by Medina Family
<b>Wed 14</b>	7:30a	✦Jack & Irene Smith by John & Linda Shea
	7:00p	no intention
<b>Thur 15</b>	7:30a	✦Luiz Miguel Correa (living) by Maria Correa
<b>Fri 16</b>	7:30a	✦Dina Rabo (living) by Jane Rabo
<b>Sat 17</b>	7:30a	✦Beverly Valpato Levin (living/b'day)
		by Cassie Kelly
	5:30p	✦William & Nila Mendonca & family (living)
		✦ <b>Mass Intentions ~ St. James</b> ✦
<b>Sun 11</b>	9:00a	✦Claire Grzanich by Jennifer Konyn
	10:30a	✦Enrique Quintana by Herrera
		<i>Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tulia Faugh, Lucia Cortez and for their family and friends.</i>

*1<sup>st</sup> week of October*

<u>Collection</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
October 4	\$9,977	\$12,132
Year to date	\$119,096	\$129,600

(St. James total for Oct 4: \$756)

*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".



**NDS Fall Festival:** A big thank you to St. John parishioners for helping support and make the Fall Festival such a success. Saturday's dinner dance attendance was outstanding, we met our goal for raffle ticket sales (700 books), and Sunday's Fall Festival was attended by many families and community members. Many thanks to festival co-chairs Allison Ward and Lisa Dougherty; dinner chair Sheila Murray; decorations chair Susie Carlos; game booth chair Cathleen Greenlee; and raffle ticket chairs Vicki Sands and Cassi Pearce. We'd also like to thank Lynton Bennett of JadeAinsley Catering for donating his time to cook and serve the dinner. Everyone did an outstanding job making this year's festival one of the best yet! **Raffle ticket winners include:** \$250 Karen Monroe; \$500 Corinna Peruzzi; \$750 Heather Currey; and \$1,000 Julianne Ray. Congratulations!



**Attention All Adorers:** Thank you for your hour with Jesus. We are hoping to be finished with the Chapel before Thanksgiving. At that time we will change the Adorers schedule to once a week. So...be thinking about the day and hour you want to schedule your weekly date with our Lord. Any questions please call Erika at 330-2594 or Javier Lopez at 566-0358.

**From the Diocese of Sacramento:** Bishop Soto has requested that there be a special collection in the parishes for relief efforts on behalf of those affected by the disastrous storms in the Philippines and Vietnam and for those in Samoa and Tonga affected by the tsunami. The collection will be taken up on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Please be generous.

**World Mission Sunday:** Sunday October 17-18 is World Mission Sunday, a day set aside for Catholics worldwide to recommit themselves to the Church's missionary activity through prayer and sacrifice. Approximately 1,150 mission dioceses receive regular annual assistance from funds collected through this special appeal. Please be generous.

**Catholic Daughters:** Thank you to all parishioners, family and friends who donated items for the Catholic Daughters Rummage Sale held Oct 3 & 4. Also, a big thank you to everyone who helped with the sale and to those who patronized the sale.

**Cub Scout Christmas Wreath Fundraiser:** Look for the Cub Scouts after all Masses until the end of October. They will be taking orders for Wreaths. This is their main fundraiser. To order or if you have questions contact Terry, Marie or Joseph Huitt at 343-0017.

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE

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

Fr. Berg's email: [fatherbrberg@yahoo.com](mailto:fatherbrberg@yahoo.com)

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❖ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ❖

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**A Taize Prayer Service** will be held at the Newman Center on October 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Taize is meditative prayer involving simple music, scripture reading, meditation and the "foot of the Cross." For more information contact John Few at 897-0675.

**Theology of the Body:** John Paul II's Theology of the Body provides a beautiful, uplifting vision of marital love and intimacy, but it goes far beyond that too. It's deeply affirming education in what it means to be human. **Come join us for the third set of discussions at our meeting October 15<sup>th</sup>, Thursday night in the Library of the Saint Thomas Aquinas Newman Center at 6:30 pm sharp. The talk we will watch on DVD will cover Man and Woman He created them (Our origin). The last topic will be, Man and Woman He redeemed them (Our History). If you have any questions please feel free to call Mary at 345-8638 or from 5 am -2 pm at 898-6398. We had a great turnout and most people's responses were more people need to know about this! So if you are still curious about this, please feel welcome to join us.**



**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, October 10th and 11th (re-air), Joe will explore the inquiry of the Rich Young Man: "What must I do to inherit eternal life". The following week, Joe will re-air a previously recorded program on the meaning of "the heart" in Scripture.** Please do not hesitate to send Joe any of your questions. You can e-mail Joe at [jholljmj@yahoo.com](mailto:jholljmj@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.

**Women of Grace Women's Ministry:** If you are interested in joining the Great Adventure Bible Study Group we meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at ODS Social Hall from 6:45-9pm. **Next meeting is Oct 22.** Bring your bible and your Catechism. If you have questions, please call Mary Waldorf at 898-6398.

**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.

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

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*Religious Education Questions - Call 343-8741*

CFF (Children's Faith Formation) has started. If you still need to register your child please come to the parish office.



Coordinator of Youth Ministries, Andrea Florez  
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**Oct 11<sup>th</sup>**- Ever seen the Magic School Bus? Have you ever met Jesus? Come take a tour of the church through time on the bus with us tonight from 7-8:30pm in the gym.

**Oct 18<sup>th</sup>** – Happy Trick-or-Canning! We are making a last effort in collecting canned food for the Catholic Ladies Relief Society Food Closet. Bring good walking shoes, your best Halloween costume and a pillowcase. **From 7-8:30pm we will be in neighborhoods around Neal Dow School collecting canned food. We will be back at St. John's gym for parents to pick-up.**

**Lifeteen Retreat!** You asked for it so we're doing it again! This year our retreat will be at Camp Pendola! Retreat dates: Nov 6-8<sup>th</sup>. More details to come.

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❖ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ❖

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**Respect for Life:** Please consider going to Planned Parenthood on Vallombrosa on Wednesdays or the Women's Feminist Abortion Center on Humboldt on Fridays. Come any time from 9am 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)

**All are called to chastity---married and single alike. If we have found this calling too hard, perhaps it is because we have relied only on our human abilities, and are lacking the tools we need. With God, chastity is not only possible, but a source of great joy and happiness. Find support, resources, and referrals through the California Association of Natural Family Planning at 1-877-33-CANFP or [info@canfp.org](mailto:info@canfp.org)**



**Marriage Encounter:** In today's Second Reading it says, "Indeed the word of God is living and effective". Learn how to make the word of God shine in your marriage. The next local Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be **Nov. 13-15 in Sacramento.** Dates fill fast, so register early. For more dates, locations and information contact Stephanie and Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 or visit our website at [lovemoredeeply.org](http://lovemoredeeply.org).

*It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.*

**AROUND THE DIOCESE and beyond** ✦

**Mercy High School:** “A Night At The USO” is this year’s theme for Mercy High School’s Dinner-Auction to be held on Sat, Nov 21, at Rolling Hills Casino. You are cordially invited to an evening of gourmet dining, music and auction. Tickets are \$60 per person and can be purchased by calling the school at 527-8313.

“300 Club” tickets are on sale for \$100 each. Prizes include, \$5000, \$2500 and a scooter valued at \$2000. The winning tickets will be drawn at the Dinner-Auction. You need not be present to win. Please contact Michelle Van Ert at 357-5087 or the school.

**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 mission. The successful candidate must be fluent in both English and Spanish. Go to [www.diocese-sacramento](http://www.diocese-sacramento) for all the details. Applications must be received by Oct 31, 2009.

**Helpers’ Prayer Vigil for Life:** Join Bishop Jaime Soto on Saturday, Oct 24 for our 3<sup>rd</sup> Helper’s Prayer Vigil. Mass will be celebrated at 8am at St. Rose Catholic Church in Sacramento followed by benediction and a Helpers’ Rosary Procession to Planned Parenthood. An afternoon lecture by Monsignor Reilly will be given on the “*Spirituality of a Helper of God’s Precious Infants*” from 11am to 1pm at the Monsignor Kavanagh Center. To learn more, call Elizabeth and Ed Pierini at 916-806-3103.

**Diocese of Sacramento  
Immigration Support Network**

The second element of the Catholic Bishops’ Call for Comprehensive Immigration Reform addresses:

**Restoration of Due Process**

In recent years, immigrants have been subject to laws and policies that debase our country’s fundamental commitment to individual liberties and due process. These laws and policies, including detention for months without charges, secret hearings, and ethnic profiling, signal a sea of change in our government’s policies and attitudes towards immigrants. We are a nation with a long, rich tradition of welcoming newcomers. Government policies that unfairly and inappropriately confuse immigration with terrorism do not make us safer, tarnish our heritage, and damage our standing abroad. The bishops urge our government to revisit these laws and to make the appropriate changes consistent with due process rights.

Also, in this context, the bishops call for reforming our system for responding to asylum seekers and considering their claims. Today asylum seekers must meet a very high bar for demonstrating their claim for asylum and are incarcerated in the meantime. The bishops believe that our nation can both protect its citizens from terrorists and remain a safe haven for legitimate asylum seekers fleeing persecution.

**CALENDAR** ✦

Sun	11	28 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 10:30am-12pm CFF
Mon	12	6-8pm English AA
Tues	13	
Wed	14	St. Callistus I 6-9pm Spanish AA 7-9pm Boy Scouts Troop #2
Thu	15	St. Teresa of Jesus 6-9:30pm Sons of Italy
Fri	16	St. Hedwig 3:30-4:30 ADORATION 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat	17	St. Ignatius of Antioch 10am Confessions

**Library Hours & News:**

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



**New in the library** from a donor are two works by Bro. Michael McRath, OSF about patron and protector saints for various occupations. The color illustrations are contemporary and alive. It is certainly worth a “check out” to share with your children and enjoy yourself. See if you can find the Holy Spirit in each painting.

And speaking of children, the library is looking for 12 guardian angels to help us bring into the library a new children’s animated DVD series on the individual lives of various saints such as Sts. Faustina, Therese of Lisieux, Padre Pio, Edith Stein, Blessed Pier Giorgio and several others. Each DVD is 30 minutes long and has a price tag of \$15.00. If you feel that you can help us with this just come into the library on any Sunday or the Parish Office any day of the week and let us know. By the way, a great thank you from the library staff to all of you who have been generous in donating materials and funds to help us maintain a current and vibrant collection.

**EMHC AND LECTOR SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER**

TIME	EMHC	LECTOR
5:30pm Sat	Arlie Hixon Tom Hixson Karen Neadley	Jerry Angrisani Al Lenzi
7:30am Sun	Ona Mertens Jean Mayer Yolanda Holt	Regina Felipe Katie Schwartz
9:00am Sun	Ernie Behr Barbara Bertapelle Cathy Boutwell Dan Boutwell Donna Houston Bill McKellar	Diane Smith Stephanie Burkett

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Rom 1:1-7; Lk 11:29-32  
 Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25; Lk 11:37-41  
 Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11; Lk 11:42-46  
 Thursday: Rom 3:21-30; Lk 11:47-54  
 Friday: Rom 4:1-8; Lk 12:1-7  
 Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18; Lk 12:8-12  
 Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33; Heb 4:14-16;  
 Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

**Liturgy of the Hours Week IV**

10/11/09