



God...wills everyone to be saved and to come to knowledge of the truth.
-- 1 Timothy 2:4

Today is the Library Open House: All are invited to join us today, Sept 23rd from 8:15am-12:15pm. Come take a look!

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 23, 2007

Knights of Columbus: Pancake Breakfast at St. John's today Sunday Sept. 23rd, 8-11:30am. Serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee, juice. Adults \$6 and children under 12 \$3.

✠ Mass Intentions ~St. John the Baptist ✠

Sat	22	7:30a	✠ Sister Leona Marie Dibreeze by Susan Jeffries
		5:30p	✠ Sanford Leeman by Shirley Rabo
Sun	23	7:30a	✠ Bernece Juanarena by Cinquini family
		9:30a	People of God
		12:30p	Blanca Carillo (living)
Latin Mass		2:30p	Special Intention
		5:30p	Randall Mesker (living) by Sharon Hazelton
Mon	24	7:30a	Yolanda & Merced Najera (B-day) by Maria Correa
Tue	25	7:30a	✠ Anna Elizabeth Pilliard & Delbert Pilliard (living)
Wed	26	7:30a	✠ Geo & Virginia Oliver by Linda Shea
Thur	27	7:30a	✠ George F. Magee by Pat & Bill Ahern
Fri	28	7:30a	✠ Loren & Lucille Godwin by Emilene Souza
		8:30	✠ Louie Ianonne by Marc Brusie
Sat	29	7:30a	✠ Wm Kaps by Thelma Kaps
		5:30p	✠ Nicholas Spiniola by K&C

✠ Mass Intentions ~St. James ✠

Sun	23	9:00 a	✠ Manuel Ascencio by Joyce Anderson
		10:30a	✠ Daniel Guillen (living) by Jesus & Rocio Chavez

Pray for the repose of the soul of Richard Vercruyssen, and Bernardo Espinoza for the comfort of their family and friends.

PARISH DIRECTORY: Sign up to be photographed for the church directory again this weekend, Sept 22-23 or call Busson's, 800-685-3002. We begin photography on October 9th. There is no cost to the church and no sitting fee for your family. You will receive a complimentary 8X10 portrait and a copy of the directory. You will also have the opportunity to purchase additional portraits. Please sign up, because our directory won't be complete without you. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR NEXT PHASE:** Now that everyone is getting signed up, we need volunteers to help greet parishioners as they come for their photo session. We need people to help 3 hours a day. Photos will be taken for 11 days Oct 9-13 and Oct 15-20. Please call the parish office if you would like to volunteer your time, 343-8741. All volunteers get 20% off all pictures they purchase.



N D S / St. John's Fall Festival: BOOTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The 73rd Annual Fall Festival is being held on Sunday, October 7th from 10:30am-4pm. We're looking for people interested in staffing a booth for a couple of hours. There are many booths to

choose from and it's a great way to spend a Fall day watching the children have fun. Contact Erin Suttles at 520-0397 if interested. **CALLING ALL BAKERS!** NDS also needs your cakes, pies and brownies! We are in need of donations for our bake sale and the ever popular cakewalk. All proceeds go to benefit NDS. If you can assist, please call Rebecca Zebley at 893-9001. **RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SALE!** NDS annual raffle is underway. Ticket holders have the chance to win a \$1000 Grand Prize, a \$750 1st prize, a \$500 2nd prize or a \$300 3rd prize. The post office no longer allows us to send raffle tickets through the mail so please look for NDS students selling raffle tickets after masses. There are also ticket books available in the Parish office. Thank you for your generous support!



Respect for Life Committee: Please attend the next meeting of the Respect Life Committee Monday, October 15 at 3:30 in the parish office.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: ministry has started at the 5:30 mass on Sunday evenings. We need adult volunteers. No skills are required – just a heart for teaching children about God. If you are interested or have questions please call Matt & Pamela Meuter 566-0425 or email: pamelameuter@hotmail.com

Catholic Daughters: September Calendar: Sept 26th Birthday Luncheon at the Brunch House at 11:30am.

Marysville Deanery will be meeting September 27th in Yuba City at St. Isadore's. Registration will begin at 10:30am. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Doner at 11am. Lunch is \$4 per person and will be served by the St. Isadore's Y. L. I. with meeting following. Please call Pat Gertech with your reservations, 673-9627. All Catholic women are invited to attend.

Rummage Sale on Oct 5th & 6th from 9:30-3pm in the ODS Parish Hall. All proceeds go to Catholic Daughters charities and projects. Call Lorene, 343-3324 for more info.

Lectors and Eucharistic Ministers: We still need Eucharistic Ministers, especially for the 7:30 and 9:30am masses. If you are interested in serving God in either of these capacities please call the parish office at 343-8741.



3rd week of September

Sunday Collection \$ 9,206.00
Total bills paid in August \$37,507.87
Rectory kitchen repair \$ 6,449 / 22K needed
Thank you for your faithful stewardship

FIRST MONDAY: ADORATION/EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Monday, October 1st
after 7:30am Mass
through 4:15pm Benediction.



ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE
stjohnthebaptistchico.org

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

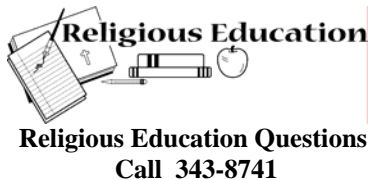
St. John Office email address: stjohn33@sbcglobal.net

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

XLT: So far these prayer nights have been a great success. We have had a great variety of dynamic speakers to get us started each week. Please join us in prayer on **Oct 7th** for our next XLT beginning at 6:30pm in the cafeteria with a free dinner and then in the church at 7pm for the talk, adoration and praise and worship!

PARENT'S MEETING: We are preparing to kick-off our LIFE TEEN (High School) and EDGE (Junior High) programs for the year. We have two options for parent's meetings **this Sunday, September 23rd**. **One beginning at 12:15pm at ODS in the hall and the second at 6:45pm at St. John's in the gym.** I will be explaining about our ministries and taking registrations at these meetings. There is a suggested donation of \$25 per teen, but no family will be turned away if they are unable to pay this. The emergency forms for your teens should also be filled out at this time so please bring any pertinent medical information (i.e. insurance card number, vaccination records, etc.). If you are unable to make either one of these meetings please contact Andrea at 961-2050 or by email at chico_lt_ym@yahoo.com

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



CFF: If you haven't registered for CFF please pick up a registration packets at the parish office. CFF started Sept 9th.

Youth Sacrament Program is for students in 7th thru 12th grades who have not received all the sacraments (Baptism, 1st Penance, 1st Communion). 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. These classes will be held every Wed beginning Sept 26th from 3:30-5pm in the parish office.

Deaf CFF: All deaf children and young adults in the community are encouraged to participate in the Deaf CFF special Program. Registration forms are available in the parish office. You can also contact our office by email at stjohn33@sbcglobal.net.



✦ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ✦

Catholics Returning Home: Are you a Catholic that has been away from Church and just don't understand, what or why it changed? Do you need to receive the Sacraments of the Church? Come join us on **Monday Oct 15th** from 7-8:30pm at the Newman Center upper meeting room. For more details contact: Co-directors Ms. Sharon Haselton at 343-8741 or Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348.



RCIA The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the path by which adults become members of the Catholic Church. Inquiry classes began Aug. 30 for 12 wks. The classes are held in the upper mtg. room of the parish office, 7-9pm. The required books are United States Catholic Catechism for Adults and the New American Bible. Call parish office for additional information on required books or Deacon Steve Schwartz at 891-0626. All are welcome.

Holy Spirit Prayer Group: is a gathering of Catholic Christians from the Chico parishes who give praise, thanks, honor, and love to Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. 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, or Nancy Overton: 899-1600.



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 Sept 22nd and 23rd Joe will be joined by Chris Seibert as they discuss the cardinal virtue of prudence and stewardship. The following week Matt Crete will join Joe as they teach on the virtue of faith and responding to God's call. Be sure not to miss this great opportunity to better understand the Bible and the structure of our faith.

✦ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ✦

New! 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! This is a great opportunity to become more involved in the church community and meet mothers like you! 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. Next weekend will be Sept 28-30 in Sacramento. Call Stephanie & Deacon James Burkett 893-2348.

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).

Retrouvaille: This is a program consisting of a weekend experience and 6 post-weekend sessions designed to give hope and help for marriages that are experiencing trouble. Next weekend will be Oct 12-14. For additional information, go to www.retrouvaille.org or call 1-800-283-5952.

Respect Life Semi-Annual Meeting: Sat, Sept 29th, 9:30am-3pm at the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Sacramento. Presentations include: How to implement the Gabriel Project at your parish, Status of current pro-life legislation and funding, Voting guidelines for Catholics, 40 Days For Life update, Sidewalk Counseling Information, update on the Sacramento Life Chain and much more. To register, call Kathy Conner at 733-0133. Suggested donation for day is \$5 (includes lunch).

Attention prayerful single men! Marist Fathers and Brothers in Berkeley are offering a vocational retreat weekend on Oct 12-14. Also, the Augustine Community in San Francisco is having a vocational retreat on Oct 26-28. Work and pray with the community and enjoy the vocational conversation. There is no cost but space is limited. Call 1-800-221-1807.

Newman Center: Oktoberfest— Sat Oct 13th at 6:30pm. Cost \$10 for adults, \$8 for students, \$6 for children, under age 5 are free. Join us for an evening of authentic German food, beer, music, dancing, and games. The proceeds benefit the students at the Newman Center. Tickets are available at the Newman Center office. Please call 342-5180 for more details. All ages are welcome!

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, September 21-23rd, in Auburn, sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento. The 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 a registration packet or 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.

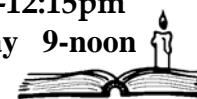
Pilgrimage to Lourdes & Italy Nov 5 – 15, 2007, price \$2,449. Fr. Vincent Juan will be hosting the pilgrimage. For more information call (530) 335-2372 or for the application and brochure check the website www.stfrancisburney.org

Sat 22	BVM Yom Kippur 9-11am Pro-Life Prayer Group 10am Confessions
Sun 23	25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Autumn begins 10:45 CFF 2:30pm Latin Mass (St. John's) 6-8pm English AA
Mon 24	
Tues 25	
Wed 26	Ss. Cosmas and Damian 6-9 Spanish AA
Thur 27	St. Vincent de Paul Sukkot 6-9pm Sons of Italy 6:30-9pm RCIA (parish office) 7pm Rosary Group (in church)
Fri 28	St. Wenceslaus St. Lawrence Ruiz and his companions 6-7am Men's Bible Study (ODS) 3:30-4:30pm Adoration 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat 29	Ss. Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael 9-11am Pro-Life Prayer Group 10am Confessions

Library Hours:

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

Wednesday 9-noon and Thursday 9-noon



Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church: is a summary of the Catechism, focusing on the key elements of the Catholic Faith. It is not meant to replace the Catechism but to help make the Catholic Faith as accessible as possible for the next generation of the Faithful. It is available in the Parish office for \$12.

United States Catholic Catechism for Adults: is a unique and groundbreaking guide for those who seek to deepen their Catholic faith. Each chapter starts with a story or lesson of faith which are then related to Catholic teachings, the Catechism and to American culture. They are available at the Parish office for \$20.

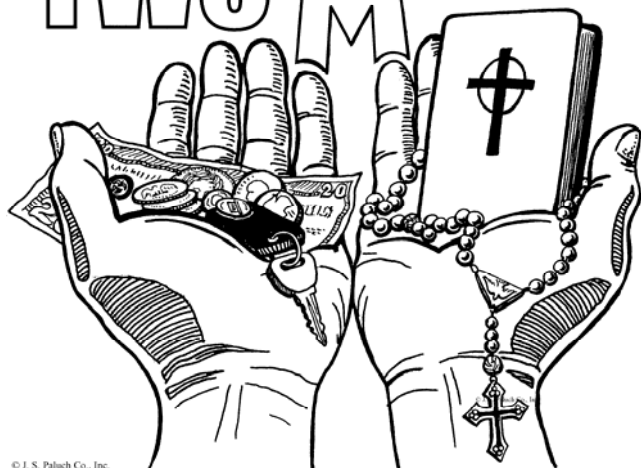
Diocesan History Books: The diocese has put together a beautiful hardcover book featuring the history of the diocese and its parishes. The books are available in the parish office. The cost is \$25.

Catechisms of the Catholic Church: are also available in the parish office for \$15 (a 25% discount).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Lk 8:16-18
- Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Lk 8:19-21
- Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Lk 9:1-6
- Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Lk 9:7-9
- Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Lk 9:18-22
- Saturday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
Jn 1:47-51
- Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146; 1 Tm 6:11-16;
Lk 16:19-31
Liturgy of the Hours - Week I

NO SERVANT CAN SERVE TWO MASTERS



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