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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 27, 2009

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✦

Sat 26	7:30a	✦Josef Froula by Michelle Knox
	5:30p	no intention
Sun 27	7:30a	no intention
	9:00a	People of God
	10:30a	Daniel Burns (living) by Garcia Family
	12:30p	✦Aurora Zamora by Natalia
	5:30p	Patricia Ruiz (living)
Mon 28	7:30a	✦Robert Berkshire Woodhull by Harriet
Tues 29	7:30a	✦Eugene Smith by the Schaeffer Family
Wed 30	7:30a	✦Richard Newton by Cassie Kelly
	7:00p	Estafano Garcia (living/b'day) by Mom & Dad
Thur 1	7:30a	Mary Mansfield (living) by Garcia Family
Fri 2	7:30a	✦Yvonne Richard
		Cleo Richard (living)
Sat 3	7:30a	DJM Intentions
	5:30p	✦Manuel H. Bettencourt by Diana
		✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦
Sun 27	9:00a	✦Christopher Nicholas by Kathy Kermen
	10:30a	no intention
		<i>Please pray for the repose of the soul of Wayne Milani, and for his family and friends.</i>

3rd week of September

Collection	Actual	Budget
September 20	\$6,270	\$9,705
Year to date	\$105,636	\$111,615

(St. James total for Sept 20: \$617)

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

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: Show your support of Notre Dame School by purchasing Fall Festival RAFFLE TICKETS sold after this week's Masses. Raffle tickets are \$2 each or \$20 for a book, with cash prizes of \$1,000, \$750, \$500 and \$250. You can also purchase tickets to attend the Fall Festival Dinner Dance on Saturday, October 3. Tickets can be purchased after Mass, at the school office, parish office, or by calling 342-2502. Cost for dinner is \$12 per adult, \$7 per child or \$35 for a family of four or more. See flier in bulletin for details.

COUNTRY STORE: It wouldn't be the Fall Festival without the Country Store! We are accepting donations of your nick knacks, books, children's toys, furniture, household items, etc... We are also looking for "farm donations" (i.e. pumpkins, corn, etc.) Please call Amy King 966-1611 for drop off or pick-up. Thank you for your support!

Fall Rummage Sale: Sponsored by Catholic Daughters, Oct. 2nd, 8am-5pm and Oct. 3rd, 8am-12noon at ODS Parish Hall. Donation of clean, useable clothing, small household items and books gratefully accepted at ODS Parish Hall on Wednesday, Sept. 30th and Thursday, Oct. 1st between 8am-5pm. Call Nancy Myers, 345-5592 with any questions.

PUBLIC ROSARY: In honor of the 92nd Anniversary of the Fatima Apparitions and the Miracle of the Sun in 1913. Please join us for a public rosary on Saturday, October 10th, Downtown Chico Public Square at 12 noon.

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.

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❖ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ❖

A Taize Prayer Service will be held at the Newman Center on October 14th 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 second set of discussions at our meeting October 1, Thursday night in the Library of the Saint Thomas Aquinas Newman Center at 6:30 pm sharp. The next two talks we will watch on the DVD will cover Man and Woman He created them (Our origin) and 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, September 26th and 27th (re-air), Joe will re-air a previously recorded program on how to interpret Sacred Scripture. The following week, In light of the readings from the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Joe will touch upon the core questions surrounding the family today.** Please do not hesitate to send Joe any of your questions. You can e-mail Joe at jholljmi@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 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at ODS Social Hall from 6:45-9pm. **Next meeting is Oct 8.** 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 4th Wed of each month at the Newman Center. For more information call Sharon, 891-5334 or James, 893-2348.

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

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.



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Sept 27th - **Don't "KEEP IT!" Do "GIVE IT AWAY NOW!"** Sunday ends the food drive at St. John's. Bring all your groceries to the church to feed the poor! Go team!

Oct 4th - **Get excited for our XLT!** Giovanna Belocci is coming from Sacramento to talk at the XLT this month. She is a student DJ on the CSUS campus. Bring all your friends and make sure to get your homework done before Sunday night. You won't want to miss this!

❖ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ❖



Respect for Life: October is Respect Life Month, and October 4 is Respect Life Sunday. According to the U. S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, the theme for this year is "Every Child Brings Us God's Smile" which comes from a homily of Pope Benedict XVI (January 7, 2007, Feast of the Baptism of the Lord). A Program packet can be obtained at <http://www.usccb.org/prolife/programs/rfp/2009/>. 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)

Today's reading calls us to examine the source of sin in our lives, and rid ourselves of it. Though its widespread acceptance may have fooled many into believing it is no longer considered sinful, contraception is a sin that has touched many of our lives. And the truth is, modern Natural Family Planning allows us to plan our families more effectively, without the harmful side effects and intrusion of contraception in our marriages. Learn more about modern NFP at www.canfp.org. An expert is available to answer your questions and refer you to a local resource at 1-877-33-CANFP.



Marriage Encounter: Jesus asks us to live our life as He has taught us—to love one another as He has loved us. Teach your children to love by showing them how you love your spouse. The next local Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be **Oct. 2-4 in Reno, Oct 16-18 in Stockton and 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.

Women's Bible Study: This week is a great time to join a great group for a great cause (more familiarity with our Bible, the Word of God)! Tuesday, Sept 29, we will begin the study of the Book of Revelation, which will continue until April. New comers are welcome any time, but this is a particularly good time to join us. Questions, call Terry Matthews, 893-1644.

Mercy High School: There is still time to donate to Mercy High School through the Annie B Drive. Donations must be received by Sept 30th to qualify. Mercy High School appreciates any and all donations. Please send your check to Annie B's/Mercy High School, NVCF, 3120 Cohasset Rd. Suite 8, Chico, CA 95973.

Pastoral Care Retreat for Victims of Childhood Abuse or Violence: All adults who have been touched or affected by childhood abuse or violence are invited to attend a special retreat. Join us Friday October 2, 2009 for *Healing the Mind, Body and Spirit – a Faith Based Response for Adult Survivors of Childhood Trauma* at Christ the King Retreat Center, 9am-4pm. For more information and registration please contact Esther Castillo at 916-733-0142.

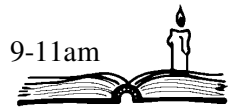
A Cathedral Concert – Tribute to Freedom: Sat, Oct 3, 8pm at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Sacramento. Commemoration the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall. Call 916-486-8538 for cost & info.

Sun	27	26 th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon	28	St. Wenceslaus/St. Lawrence Ruiz 6-8pm English AA
Tues	29	St. Michael/St. Gabriel/St. Raphael
Wed	30	St. Jerome 6-9pm Spanish AA 7-9pm Boy Scouts Troop #2
Thu	1	St. Therese of the Child Jesus
Fri	2	The Guardian Angels/First Friday 3:30-4:30 ADORATION 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat	3	First Saturday 10am Confessions

Calling all Adorers: Reminder: Monday, October 5th, is our next 24 hour Adoration. Please come and be sure to sign in. Adoration will be from Mon Oct 5, 8am through Tues Oct 6 at 7:30am. For more information contact Erika Sajben at 330-2594, Javier Lopez at 566-0358, or the parish office at 343-8741.



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



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: Zec 8:1-8; Lk 9:46-50
 Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
 Jn 1:47-51
 Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8; Lk 9:57-62
 Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Lk 10:1-12
 Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Mt 18:1-5, 10
 Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Lk 10:17-24
 Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128; Heb 2:9-11;
 Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

Liturgy of the Hours Week II

**Diocese of Sacramento
Immigration Support Network**

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

Temporary Worker Program:

The U.S. economy depends upon the labor provided by migrants. Therefore, many migrants come to the United States to fill jobs. The bishops acknowledge this reality and call for a more rationale and humane system by which laborers from other countries can enter the country legally to fill positions in the labor force, including on a temporary basis. Because the U.S. experience with temporary workers programs has been fraught with abuses, the bishops call for a temporary worker program that includes:

- Path to permanent residency which is achievable/verifiable
- Family unity which allows immediate family members to join worker
- Job portability which allows workers to change employers
- Labor protections which apply to U.S. workers
- Enforcement mechanisms and resources to enforce worker's rights
- Wages and benefits which do not undercut domestic workers
- Mobility between U.S. and homeland and within U.S.
- Labor-market test to ensure U.S. workers are not harmed

