



ADORATION WILL BE MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14, THE SECOND MONDAY DUE TO LABOR DAY. Announcements will

be forthcoming regarding our new Adoration Chapel. For more info call Erika Sajben 330-2594 or Javier Lopez 566-0358.

Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs to the kingdom? -- James 2:5

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time September 6, 2009

✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✦

Sat 5	7:30a	Myles & Adrienne Pustejovsky (living/50 th anniv)
	5:30p	✦Victoria Mota by Maria Correa
Sun 6	7:30a	✦Mary VanBuskirk by Lona Stalker
	9:00a	People of God
	10:30a	no intention
	12:30p	✦Elias Arias by Maribel Carrillo
	5:30p	✦Tucker Mesker by Sharon Haselton
Mon 7	7:30a	✦Linda Naoaux
Tues 8	7:30a	✦Bill Harkness by Charlotte Linda Etheridge (living b'day)
Wed 9	7:30a	✦Fred Rabo by Rabo Family
	7:00p	no intention
Thur 10	7:30a	Chad Sheffield by Tanner Knox
Fri 11	7:30a	✦Candyce Cabrera by Garcia Family
Sat 12	7:30a	✦Fr. Ed Callanan
	5:30p	no intention
		✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦
Sun 6	9:00a	no intention
	10:30a	no intention

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Enrique Quintana, and for his family and friends.

5th week of August

<u>Collection</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
August 30 th	8,910	\$5,257
Year to date	\$77,683	\$82,903

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.

Come Support Notre Dame School! Notre Dame School is planning a book fair at Barnes and Noble the weekend of Sept. 12 and Sept. 13. A portion of all purchases during the course of the weekend will be donated back to Notre Dame School. We are providing vouchers for each family. If you forget your voucher, just mention Notre Dame at check out. So do a little birthday or Christmas shopping, pick up a treat at the Café and support your favorite Catholic School. See the flyers in Bulletin.

First Sunday Book Sale: Catholic books, missals, rosaries and sacramentals will be sold from 9:30am to 12:00 noon today Sept 6.

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.

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.

Catholic Daughters: Next meeting will be on Sept 10th at 1pm at ODS. This past year Catholic Daughters, through our various fundraisers, was able to donate \$8,000 to charities. These charities include our local parishes and our sister parishes in Africa as well as many of our local charities. Thank you for your support and please continue to support us.

Marysville Deanery of Catholic Women will meet on Sept. 17 at St. Isidore's Parish Hall. Registration will be at 10:15am. Mass will be at 11am in the church. Cost of lunch is \$4. Reservations are a must in order to prepare sufficient food. Please RSVP by Sept. 14 by calling Pat Giertych at 530-673-9627. Your local contact member is Maureen T. Burns, 530-514-8292 or 342-8458. All women are welcome to attend!! Please come join us and see how we may expand services to our parishes.

Festival at St. Thomas More: The Ridge Community Family Festival is being held at St. Thomas More Church – 767 Elliott Road, Paradise from 10am to 4pm on Saturday, September 19th! All are invited to the fun filled event supporting Ridge area ministries, charities and scholarships.

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE

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❖ ADULT FAITH FORMATION ❖

Theology of the Body: Broken families, abortion, AIDS, Internet pornography, clergy abuse, homosexual “marriage”— our church and world is in the midst of a profound sexual crisis. Is there a way out? Come to the new “Theology of the Body” series to discover.

“Why is the world so consumed by sex (or lust)? Did nature overload us in the mating department or is something smarter or subtler at work...(Time Magazine Jan 19, 2004).

In this DVD presentation of “Theology of the Body”, Christopher West explains John Paul II revolutionary teaching based on the word of Jesus and the bible which takes us to the root of our modern crisis, putting us on our path to authentic sexual liberation and God’s original plan for our lives. Whether married or single if you are interested in this adult formation, please call Mary Waldorf at 345-8638 to register. The meetings will be from 6:30-8:30pm for 4 weeks on alternating Thursday nights: Sept 17th, Oct 1st, Oct 15th, and Oct 29th at the Newman Center in Chico. The series costs \$12 which includes a workbook.

RCIA **RCIA CLASSES:** The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults become members of our Catholic faith community. **The first of twelve weekly Inquiry classes began Thursday, September 3rd.** They are held every Thursday from 7pm-9pm in the upper meeting room of the Parish Office. All are welcome and there is no obligation. For more information contact Deacon Steve Schwartz at 891-0626.



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 6th and 7th (re-air), Joe will look at the many questions surrounding poverty and how we are to better handle the question of judgment. The following week Joe will re-air a program on the prophets. If you ever wondered about who the prophets are and their role in salvation history then this program is for you. 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 Sept 10th.** 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.



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LIFE TEEN KICK-OFF WILL BE SEPT 19 STARTING AT 6:30pm IN THE GYM. THERE WILL BE MUSIC, FREE PRIZES INCLUDING A CHANCE TO WIN AN I-POD TOUCH AND MUCH MORE!

❖ CFF: CHILDREN’S FAITH FORMATION ❖

Religious Education Questions - Call 343-8741

If you need to register for CFF call the parish office. (EVERYONE MUST REGISTER EVERY YEAR)

CFF STARTS SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH

Youth Sacrament Program is for students in 7th thru 12th grades who have not received all the sacraments (Baptism, 1st Penance, 1st Communion, Confirmation). Please come to the parish office to register. These classes will be held every Tues beginning Sept 15th from 3:30-5pm in the parish office.

❖ MARRIAGE & FAMILY ❖



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)
We can all experience deafness to God speaking to us— sometimes because we have drowned out His voice with our own fears. Or the din of the world’s ways roars louder in our ears than the sweet whisper of our Lord calling us closer. Natural Family Planning is God’s way to plan our families, respecting His design, and each other. Open your ears to His call for Love... and Life... and begin by listening with open ears, and mind, and heart, to a recording called “Contraception, Why Not?” Available free by calling 1-877-33-CANFP.



Marriage Encounter: “He has done all things well.” Jesus works miracles in us if we take time to listen how to make our marriage even greater than it is. The next local Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend will be **September 25-27 in Sacramento, Oct 2-4 Reno, or Oct 16-18 Stockton.** 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: It's a new school year, and it seems a good time for new beginnings. The Women's Bible Study will be finishing our study of several epistles on Sept. 15. We are reading the book, *The Lamb's Supper, The Mass as Heaven on Earth*, by Scott Hahn, and will be discussing it during our regular meeting time on Sept. 22. The book ties in with the next Bible book we will study, Revelation. All are welcome! The group meets every Tuesday from 9-11am at the Prayer Room in the Religious Education Building at ODS. No prior experience is required – we are all learners here. Questions, call Terry Matthews, 893-1644.

4th Annual Divine Mercy Conference: When life is crashing...do more than throw up your hands in despair...turn to God's Divine Mercy. Come to the 4th annual Divine Mercy Conference at the Sacramento Convention Center on Sept. 12th. Come hear how Divine Mercy impacted the lives of a survivor of US Air Flight 1549 ("Miracle on the Hudson"), a heart-broken performing artist and a young priest who is working to share the message of Divine Mercy-especially with young people. For more information call John Doering at 530-677-2805.

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.

Boy Scout Ad Altare Dei Retreat: Calling out all Catholic Boy Scouts earning the Ad Altare Dei Religious Award. This award is intended for Scouts that have completed the 6th grade and focuses on the Seven Sacraments. The Catholic Committee on Scouting for the Diocese of Sacramento and the Golden Empire Council will be holding a retreat at Marelo Youth Retreat Center on October 16-17, 2009. For more information and to register, please visit: <http://www.gec-bsa.org> and click on Event.

**Diocese of Sacramento
Immigration Support Network**

The Catholic bishops' Call for Comprehensive Immigration Reform includes the following 5 elements. An expanded discussion of each of these elements will appear in the bulletin over the next 5 weeks.

1. Global anti-poverty efforts
2. Expanded opportunities to reunify families
3. Temporary Worker Program
4. Broad-based legalizations
5. Restoration of due process

Over the next year, there will be 3 ISN forums held for our parish. The forums will address: **Immigrants' Rights & Responsibilities, Legal Issues& Resources, and Building Bridges Between Communities.**
The first forum will be held here on Sun, Sept 20 from 2-4pm in the cafeteria.

Sun	6	23 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon	7	Labor Day/OFFICE CLOSED 6-8pm English AA
Tues	8	The Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary
Wed	9	St Peter Claver 6-9pm Spanish AA
Thu	10	6-10pm Knights of Columbus
Fri	11	3:30-4:30 ADORATION 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat	12	The Most Holy Name of Mary 10am Confessions



Monday Sept 14th after 7:30am
Mass to Tuesday Sept 15th at
7am.

Library Hours & News:

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



Pope Benedict's Intentions for September

General prayer intention: That the word of God may be better known, welcomed and lived as the source of freedom and joy.

Mission intention: That Christians in Laos, Cambodia, and Myanmar, who often meet with great difficulties, may not be discouraged from announcing the Gospel to their brothers, trusting in the strength of the Holy Spirit.

EMHC AND LECTOR SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER

TIME	EMHC	LECTOR
5:30pm Sat	Jim Currin Arlie Hixon Tom Hixon	Karen Monroe Bruce Neadly
7:30am Sun	Jean Mayer Ona Mertens	Yolanda Holt Lyle Anderson
9:00am Sun	Stephanie Beyers Aric Cook Bill McKellar Bill Mutch Diane Smith Barbara Santos	Donna Houston Lori Smith

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Col 1:24 — 2:3; Lk 6:6-11, or, for Labor Day, any readings from the Mass "For the Blessing of Human Labor," nos. 907-911
Tuesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [1:18-23]
Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: Col 3:12-17; Lk 6:27-38
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Lk 6:39-42
Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday: Is 50:5-9a; Ps 116; Jas 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35
Liturgy of the Hours Week III

