



July 17, 2005 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"... the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father." Matthew 13:43

† Servant Leader †

THANK YOU FROM ST. PATRICK'S HOME FOR CHILDREN

Holy Family Parish continued to demonstrate its huge heart and generous stewardship through last week's special collection for St. Patrick's Home for Children. As the Executive Director, I would like to express heartfelt gratitude for your compassion and kindness.

As I wrote last week, it is a joy to be involved in work so close to the gospel, caring for children who have many needs and problems. Our residential homes for girls, our day care programs and our foster care program are wonderful manifestations of God's love for His children and His ability to work through humble, flawed servants to do great things.

If you would like more information on the work of St. Patrick's Home for Children, please contact me at 421-4963 ext 11, or through the Parish Office. I am always glad to hear from you, and I truly appreciate your support.

YOUTH MINISTRY AT HOLY FAMILY

Thus week, I continued to gather those in our parish charged with ministry to our young people to rebuild and revitalize Youth Ministry at Holy Family. These wonderful, caring and skilled people from Holy Family School, Faith Formation and Catholic Youth Ministry have accepted the enormous responsibility for serving our youth - as Pope John Paul II said, the youth are not the just the future of the church, they are the church right now!

Youth Ministry is the commitment of the parish to serve the young people of our community by creating an atmosphere for them to find, develop and share their own experience of Christian faith. We strive to lead our youth to a genuine faith in Jesus Christ, to encourage them to see their lives as disciples of Christ, and to give them the tools they need to minister to others.

Youth Ministry works through creating an environment for youth that is relevant and built on personal relationships. Every young Christian deserves an opportunity to experience and come to understand a true relationship with God. The environment we create can go a long way toward making young people aware of their value to God, to their families and to this community of believers.

The aim of Catholic Youth Ministry goes beyond the "meeting place" and the "group" - building and nurturing healthy relationships between young people and their families, equipping teens for a life of faith after high school, and providing opportunities for youth to serve Christ through different ministries.

Many programs and events for our youth have already been made available this summer and many more are on the horizon. Keep your eyes and ears open for much more information in the near future on this vital ministry.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Monday: Margaret Eiferle +
- Tuesday: Carlos Santos -Int.; Estela Alabastro -Int.
- Wednesday: Francis Eichler +; James Jardee +
Gregorio & Hermelinda Avila +
- Thursday: David DeLeon -Int.
- Friday: Marie Bourque -Int.; Janet Mead +
- Saturday: Al Herkowski +; Winifred O'Malley +

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon: Ex 14:15-18; Mt 12:38-42 (St. Camillus de Lillus)
- Tue: Ex 14:-15:1; Mt 12:46-50
- Wed: Ex 16:1-5,9-5; Mt 13:1-9 (St. Apollinarius)
- Thu: Ex 19:1-2,9-11; Mt 13:10-17 (St. Lawrence of Brindisi)
- Fri: St. Mary Magdalene: Ex 20:1-17; Jn 20:1-2,1-18
- Sat: Ex 24:-8; Mt 13:24-30 (St. Bridget of Sweden)



PRAYER CORNER

Remember in your prayers:

- Marcel Arnal, Mary Avila, George Barca, Cody Bartley, Ray Bechler, Charles Black, Jill Boyd, Maria Dixon, Andrew Flores, Roman Fontana, Evelyn Gonsalves, Robert Gonzaga, Max Guerra, Charlene Gutierrez, J. Gutierrez, R. Gutierrez, Gary Hayes, Stanley Hayes, Tina Karlin, Betty Kava, Dewain Koch, Mafua Family, Maria Mamauog, Maria Martinez, Earl Mattingly, Mary Nekrassoff, Eleanor Obmann, Bud Phelps, Peter Popjevalo, Fr. Powers, Christine Regan, Zan Rockett, John Sayer, Charles Schneider, Richard Seward, Jo Ster, Clement Sweeney, D. Sweeney, Maureena Sutton, I. Thompson, X. Thompson, Bishop Weigand, Bob Westbrook, Jessie Williams, Lani Zacherson

YOUTH MINISTRY



"TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALLGAME":

Jr. High/High School Youth and families are invited to join us for the Rivercats game on Thursday, August 4th. Seats on the third base side, \$1 hotdogs and \$1 ice cream! The game is at 7:05 pm and tickets are just

\$12. You must sign-up and buy your tickets no later than July 20th - this Wednesday. Call 721-8329 or e-mail holyfamilycym@yahoo.com.

BEACH PARTY BOWLING:

All high school youth are invited to gather after the 6:00 pm Mass, Sunday July 24th, as we head to Leatherby's for dinner. Then it's off to Country Club Lanes for Glo-Bowling from 9:30 - 11:30. Cost is \$10 per person plus dinner money. Please respond by July 20th - call 721-8329 or e-mail holyfamilycym@yahoo.com.



YOUTH MINISTRY NEWSLETTER:

If you would like to receive a copy of the Holy Family Youth Ministry Newsletter, which includes upcoming activities for jr. high and high school youth, please email your name, address, grade, school and phone to holyfamilycym@yahoo.com.



Health Ministry

INTERNATIONAL GROUP B STREP AWARENESS MONTH:

Information from The Center of Disease Control (CDC) Group B streptococcus (GBS) is a type of bacterium that causes illness in newborn babies, pregnant women, the elderly, and adults with other illnesses, such as diabetes or liver disease. GBS is the most common cause of life-threatening infections in newborns. GBS carriage can be detected during pregnancy .

GBS infections in both newborns and adults are usually treated with antibiotics If you are at risk, see you health care provider. For more information visit the web site at: www.cdc.gov in the SEARCH area, type in GBS and click on the link, DBMD Group B.



Holy Family School

NOW ENROLLING STUDENTS AT HOLY FAMILY PRESCHOOL!

Our program is Literature based which develops into art, science, math and language activities. Special features include Ms. Amy's Gymnastics, daily hot lunch, monthly guest speakers, computers in the classroom and an outside adventure play area, to name a few. The preschool is accepting applications for students ages two (and potty trained) through five. The morning program is in operation from 8:30-11:30am and the afternoon class is from 12:30-3:00pm. Childcare services are available Monday through Friday from 7:00am until 6:00pm. Enrich your child's interest by calling Mrs. Lucy Eberhardt at 722-4620.

Stewardship

~ a way of life ~

SAINT VINCENT de PAUL THRIFT STORE IS MOVING TO OUR PARISH:

The thrift store of the Sacramento Diocesan Council has lost its lease on Fulton Avenue in Sacramento, where it has been for 15 years, and will be moving this month to 6105 Sunrise Vista Drive in Citrus Heights. Our store will now be just east of Sunrise Mall in the old Pep Boys building. The new location will be much more expensive than the old location and volunteer assistance is badly needed. If you can volunteer any of your time during the move or on a more regular basis once our store is operating in Citrus Heights please call Bill Swars, 722-5578. Help is needed in all types of areas including office work, sorting of books or clothing, furniture repair, carpentry, warehousing and many other tasks. Please help us help others if you are able. You need not join our local conference to volunteer at the store.



Monte Carlo Night - September 24th

Mark your calendar - watch for details!

STEWARDSHIP - TREASURE

GENERAL COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$ 10,500.00
Jun 19	\$ 9,993.00 *
Jun 26	\$ 9,682.00 *
Jul 3	\$ 13,031.00
Jul 10	\$ 10,424.00
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 23,455.00
Goal-to-Date (2 Weeks)	\$ 21,000.00
% of Goal Collected	111.69 %
Annual Goal	\$ 546,000.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$ 3,750.00
Jun 19	\$ 1,770.00 *
Jun 26	\$ 1,699.00 *
Jul 3	\$ 5,137.50
Jul 10	\$ 2,858.77
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 7,996.27
Goal-to-Date (2 Weeks)	\$ 7,500.00
% of Goal Collected	106.62 %
Annual Goal	\$ 195,000.00

* Weeks in last fiscal year shown for comparison, not included in totals.

SECOND COLLECTION

St. Patrick's Home for Children	\$ 4,241.50
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"Those who are just must be kind," says today's first reading. If our words and deeds are kind and selfless, we will be like the good seed in the Gospel parable and gathered as wheat in the Lord's harvest. (See Wisdom 12:19)

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE - AND BEYOND

CATHOLIC SINGLES FUN CRUISE TO MEXICO:

OCTOBER 21-24, 2005:

Catholic Singles Network invites all Catholic Single Adults throughout California to a special FUN CRUISE to Mexico. We will be sailing from Long Beach Friday Oct 21st and returning Monday Oct 24th. Rates starting at \$380 per person (inside cabin). Your cruise fare includes food, entertainment/dancing, as well as most activities on. We will have a group for 21-40 years old and a 40+ group. We will have activities and individual activities aboard the ship. To secure your space on board this ship, call Kellee at 888-208-9555 x 86 or email at kelleeb@csnca.com. A deposit to guarantee your space is required by June 23rd and final payment is due by August 12th. (Cancellation with full refund available until Aug 20th.) Additional information can be seen on our website at www.csnca.com.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

COACHING POSITIONS OPEN:

St. Francis Catholic High School is now accepting applications for a Varsity Golf Coach and a Varsity Tennis Coach for the fall 2005 season, mid-August to mid-November. Send application and resume to Pat Maier, Human Resources Administrator, St. Francis High School, 5900 Elvas Avenue. Sacramento, CA 95819.

Questions: Contact Athletic Director Kolleen McNamee at 916-452-3461 extension 124. Download Support Position Application at www.stfrancisshs.org.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS SOUGHT:

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, Sacramento, CA, is seeking a Director of Operations to begin not later than September 6, 2005. This position is a key management position, reporting directly to the pastor. This person should demonstrate personal, interpersonal and spiritual maturity, and embrace the vision and mission of a Jesuit parish. The successful candidate will have the necessary collaborative skills attributable to the position and be capable of balancing the competing demands of human resources, finance, and plant development. The salary and benefits accompanying this exciting position are commensurate with experience. Please submit your resume with cover letter by fax to 916-482-8573; or mail to Fr. Gerald Robinson, S.J., Pastor, 3235 Arden Way, Sacramento, California 958215; or email to g.robinson@stignatiussac.org.

DIOCESAN JOB ANNOUNCEMENT - CUSTODIAN:

We have an immediate opening at the Diocesan Pastoral Center for a custodian to work 20 hours per week - 4:30 to 9:30, four days per week. Some weekends required. Duties include routine custodial functions and conference room meeting set ups. Please fax your resume to Phyllis Montero at (916) 733-0195 or mail your resume to 2110 Broadway, Sacramento, CA, 95818, attention: Phyllis Montero.

TROUBLED MARRIAGE?

If your marriage situation is getting you down - if there is little or no communication - if you are constantly arguing - if you are hurt, frustrated, or angry with each other - if you have thought about separation or divorce or maybe you already are ... BUT you want your marriage to work, Call Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille is a Catholic program dedicated to help heal and renew marriages. There is hope! The next program will be held in Modesto, August 19-21. For more info call: Geff and Judy Guenther (209) 541-1547 or www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

NEED MARRIAGE HELP?:

For preparation and getting off to the right start - **Engaged Encounter (E.E.):** Call for dates and locations.

For improvement and enhancement - **Marriage Encounter (M.E.):** Aug. 26-28

For troubled marriages and renewal- **Retrouvaille:** August 19-21 (see above)

For further information on any of these programs held in Sacramento, CA, please contact:

Engaged Encounter: www.sacee.org
or call Ron & Kathy Bauer at 916-987-0747

Marriage Encounter: srsreqistrar@sbcglobal.net
or call Raul & Gayla Ponce at 866-825-2046

Retrouvaille: www.retrouvaille.org
or Sacramento@RetroCa.com.
or call Fred & Barbara at 800-283-5952
or Fran at 916-362-2525.

PILGRIMAGE TO OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE BASILICA:

Rev. Pol Gumapo, Pastor of St. Joseph Church, Lincoln, invites individuals and families from all Northern California to participate in a solemn pilgrimage to the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, in Mexico City - September 22-30, 2005 to kneel at the feet of the Virgin of Tepeyac, to celebrate a Mass of thanksgiving in memory of Pope John Paul II, and to thank God for giving us a new blessed pontiff in the person of Pope Benedict XVI. As part of the tour-pilgrimage, the travelers will visit beautiful Marian Shrines, Basilicas and Cathedrals at the Mexican colonial cities of Guanajuato, Dolores Hidalgo, San Luis Potosi, Aguascalientes, Zapopan and Guadalajara. Air transportation to Mexico will depart from Sacramento International airport. Once in Mexico, the land transportation will be by air-conditioned buses and certified tour guides will attend the English-speaking travelers.

Those who want to see Mexico differently than most of the common tourists shouldn't miss this opportunity to live the once in a lifetime experience of visiting the American Continent's most venerated Marian shrine. Space is limited and the last day to register is July 31, 2005. For a free brochure contact Deacon Jose Ramirez at (916) 684-8944 or by email at pe16pe40@aol.com.

ARTICLE 9: CHOPPING UP THE BIBLE

[As part of our ongoing celebration of the Year of the Eucharist, Holy Family will present each week this series "Three Minute Liturgical Catechesis through the remainder of the church year.]

Consider this challenge: Take the whole Bible and figure out how to cut it up into bite-sized pieces that can be used over 156 Sundays, plus a few dozen major feast days. Take into account the seasons of the liturgical year, as well as 2000 years of previous ways of doing the same thing. Then, when you have all the Sundays and major feasts figured out, decide how to divide what's left into about six hundred weekdays to create a two-year list of readings for daily Mass. Add to that another whole set of Masses for special needs and occasions, including weddings and funerals, all of which need a number of readings for different circumstances.

In the process, of course, you will have to decide which verses of the Bible are most important and which ones we should never read out loud in church. You have to determine how long each reading should be and where to start and stop each passage. Then you have to choose appropriate psalms for the responsorial psalm after the first reading and appropriate verses for the acclamation before the gospel.

Those are just some of the challenges faced by those who created the book of readings that we call the lectionary. In making their decisions, they used two main patterns for choosing readings.

Generally the first reading is from the Old Testament, though during the Easter season it comes from the Acts of the Apostles. The second reading is from the New Testament letters or the Book of Revelation, and the third text is from one of the four gospels. For major feasts, like Christmas and Easter, all the readings are chosen to fit the feast, so they all fit together well.

In Ordinary Time, outside the major festal seasons, a different principle comes into play. We read through the gospels of Matthew, Mark and Luke, one each year, in what is called a semi-continuous reading. We don't read every verse, but we work through the gospel chapter by chapter. John's gospel is used most often during the Easter season in all three years.

The first reading is then chosen to relate to the gospel passage, and the psalm is chosen to respond to that first reading. The second reading, though, is also a semi-continuous reading of other New Testament books, especially the letters of St. Paul. This means it goes its merry way, not necessarily linked to the other readings but giving us another set of ideas to ponder.

The goal of this rather complicated structure is simple: to expose us to more of the Bible than we used to hear in church. Before 1970, the Lectionary had only one year's worth of readings; now there is a three-year cycle for Sundays and a two-year cycle for weekdays.

The reason for this, of course, is that Christians look to the Bible as the source of wisdom and as a way to meet the Lord. Beyond our use of the scriptures in church, we should really be reading them at home, too. The more familiar we are with the Bible and the characters and stories it contains, the more we will benefit when we hear the readings at Mass.

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BIOETHICS MADE EASY:

The Sacramento Life Center is sponsoring Fr. Tadeusz Pacholczyk, neuroscientist and theologian, for *Of Embryos and Souls: Should We Be Cloning Humans?* on Tuesday, July 19; 2005. 6:30 pm wine and cheese reception. 7:00 pm presentation at the Sutter Club, 1220 Ninth Street, Sacramento. Coat & tie required with comparable dress for women. RSVP to (916) 451-4357. Registration \$35.

BIOETHICS AND THE CULTURE:

One-day Summer Conference hosted by the University of Sacramento. Nationally renowned speakers including Wesley Smith, Fr. Tad Pacholczyk, Eugene Diamond of Chicago and William Hurlbut, MD, of Stanford University, will be speaking on Wednesday, July 20. The conference will cover timely themes including stem cell research, conscience and the law, and end of life issues. This conference is open to all interested adults. CME credit for doctors and nurses will be offered. CALL (916) 443-4760 for more information and registration.

PRO-LIFE ROSARY:

Beginning on the first Friday of July and on every Friday thereafter, we will recite the pro-life rosary following the 8:30 am Mass. We will gather in the middle section of the church to pray. We will offer our prayers for all life issues, such as abortion, euthanasia, the use of the fetus in stem cell research, the death penalty and other pro-life issues. Please join your parish family in this great cause to save lives and souls throughout the world through prayer of the pro-life rosary.

STAY INFORMED - READ THE CATHOLIC HERALD:

Keeping up to date on news and events that impact the lives of Catholics throughout Northern California is as simple as reading *the Newspaper of the Diocese of Sacramento*:

The Catholic Herald

And, getting The Catholic Herald is as simple as calling (916) 452-3344 or the Holy Family Parish Office at 723-2494.

MEMORANDUM

TO: THE CONFERENCE OF BISHOPS, DIOCESAN EDITORS, COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTORS, RESPECT LIFE DIRECTORS, SOCIAL ACTION DIRECTORS, INTERESTED PARTIES

FROM: MR. EDWARD E. "NED" DOLEJSI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: FAILURE OF THE "ASSISTED SUICIDE" BILL

DATE: JULY 12, 2005

The California Catholic Conference is pleased that the authors of AB 651 (formerly AB 654) have suspended their efforts to pass their bill which would have legalized "physician-assisted suicide" in the state of California.

Once again historical, cultural medical and religious arguments coalesced to affirm that Californians in general and California legislators in particular are not now nor have they ever been in favor of discarding the long-standing trust relationship between patients and their physicians.

In 1992, the California electorate rejected Proposition 161 which would have legalized "assisted suicide"—even though polls showed support. In 1999, with polls again showing support, the California Assembly failed to pass a so-called "Death with Dignity" Act. This year, relying on polls which asked questions like, "would you like your physician to assist you in dying," rather than "would you like your physician to help you kill yourself," the authors, Assemblywoman Berg and Assemblyman Levine, like the proponents in the past, assumed that the majority of Californians liked their idea. They were wrong.

The Catholic Church teaches us that we are created in the image of God, that we are stewards—not owners—of the awesome gift of life. The Church also teaches us that true compassion and fidelity to our fellow humans call us to embrace those who are dying—not provide them with the means to end their life.

The California Catholic Conference and the Alliance of Catholic Healthcare joined a broad coalition, Californians Against Assisted Suicide (CAAS), which included the California Medical Association and other healthcare professionals, advocates for low-income workers, disability rights activists, bioethicists, faith-based organizations and Latino civil rights associations, specifically the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC). These groups were instrumental in coordinating a state-wide grassroots effort that included contacts with their elected representatives in both the Assembly and the Senate. The legislators responded with "no" votes—accurately representing their constituents. We owe a debt of gratitude to all who worked so diligently and effectively on this issue.

The authors claim they will resume their efforts in January after they have time to "educate" the public. To date, education of the public has proved to be their nemesis—when people understand *what* they want to legalize, they reject the idea. The CAAS coalition will continue their efforts through the years' end, and next year they will again defeat the legalization of "assisted suicide."

PARISH DIRECTORY AT-A-GLANCE

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Ministry to the Disabled
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