



July 24, 2005 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"... all things work for good for those who love God." Romans 8:28

† Servant Leader †

PLANNED GIVING

Planned giving is a most helpful and generous way for people to use their reserves to "build up treasures in Heaven," as Jesus teaches us. It is helpful that so many members of Holy Family give weekly to do God's work. I would like to take this a step further to help you in your Christian life using all you have for Jesus. There are so many ways to use what God has given us.

For example, what if you would like to make a commitment to give and save some taxes, but also you need to live on the income from your assets for the next 20 years? What if your only significant asset is a block of appreciated stock? What if you are redoing your will and have not considered making a charitable bequest to the church in the past?

Even if you are not a millionaire, there are giving strategies that can be employed at giving levels of just a few thousand dollars. Many Catholics are unaware of the options that exist and, thus, do not make significant gifts to their church, either during life or at their death.

It is helpful to have an understanding of the basic tools and techniques that are commonly used in the world of charitable "planned giving." These can be broken down into three broad categories: outright gifts, partial gifts, and family foundations. We will look briefly at the first two this week and conclude with family foundations next weekend.

Outright Gifts:

As the name implies, these giving investments are made with no strings attached and nothing held back. Examples include giving cash, stocks or real estate. The majority of all gifts made to charities are outright gifts of property either during one's lifetime or at death through a will or trust.

Partial Gifts:

Let us say a member has an asset they would like to donate to the church at their death. However, they want the income from the asset for living expenses but could also use a current income tax deduction. A partial gift is one where the church receives some benefit either now or in the future, and the donor retains a part of the asset for personal or family use. An example is a Charitable Remainder Trust (CRT), which allows the donor to make a contribution of some amount in the future

while continuing to use the property and/or receive income from it while living

Planning an Estate:

All of us face the challenge to take advantage of our last will and testament to truly be a written and financial testimony of our faith. We may want to challenge the status quo of leaving everything to our children. Questions will arise such as "What are we trying to accomplish by leaving this money to our children?" "Is it likely that this inheritance will create a dysfunctional work ethic or family dynamic?" "Will the kingdom of God be advanced by virtue of this inheritance?" There are no easy or one-size-fits-all answers to these questions, but they can get us to thinking.

As pastor, I have the responsibility to create awareness of giving opportunities and help members make biblical decisions about their money. Holy Family Catholic Church can build a referral team of trusted professionals within our community who do charitable planning as a major focus of their work. We can educate and empower our church members to make the significant gifts that will be a source of tremendous joy and satisfaction for the donor as well as a valuable resource for Holy Family and any other charity you wish.

I hope you can pray over these ideas and see what God is calling you to in this area of your life. Please feel free to call me at (916) 995-0168 if you have questions or suggestions, and we can discuss this confidentially.

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, Judy Smoot, Jo Ster, Clement Sweeney, D. Sweeney, Maureena Sutton, I. Thompson, X. Thompson, Bishop Weigand, Bob Westbrook, Jessie Williams, Lani Zacherson

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YOUR HELP IS NEEDED FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE POOR AND NEEDY

Once again it is necessary for us to appeal to your kindness and generosity. Next Sunday, July 31, is the fifth Sunday of July, and there will be a second collection for our St. Vincent de Paul conference and the poor and needy in our community. I would like to thank you, beforehand, for your continued support for all that Holy Family does for those in need. May our gracious and merciful God continue to bless you as we journey together to bring the good news of Christ, love and compassion to those in need.

Deacon Mark

KEEPING OUR CHURCH GROUNDS BEAUTIFUL:

Have you noticed how beautiful the parish grounds look this summer. This is due to the efforts of our landscaping volunteers. Yes, the lawn mowing, the weeding, the planting, and pruning are the result of the volunteer labors of our fellow parishioners. Now that it is summer, we find ourselves in need of extra help. There are areas near the Community Center that need the loving attention of additional parishioners. If you are able and willing to commit a few hours each month to assist in maintaining our parish landscaping, please call the parish office at 723-2494 and leave your name and phone number. Thank you for all you do for your parish family!



WELCOMING MINISTRY:

Thank you to the parishioners who come forward to help as greeters each week. Your parish family appreciates all you are doing to make people feel welcome. We also extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the greeters who have been serving in this ministry for several years.

We are still in need of a few more volunteers for the Noon Mass as well as the two evening Masses. If you would like to participate in this ministry to do the Lord's work, please call Anita Marsolais at 723-1775.

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday: Gregorio & Hermelinda Avila +
Louise & Gaetano Francescon +
Thursday: Ileen Massey +
Thomas Massey +
Cecil Helen Barbeau +
Saturday: Al Herkowski +
Mary Jo Padilla +



Monte Carlo Night Saturday, September 24th

Tickets for Monte Carlo Night will be available after all the Masses this Sunday July 24, as well as after Masses on August 14, August 28 and September 11. Tickets are also available by calling Sue Coles at 729-6719. Tickets are \$15.00 each, which includes 2,000 in gaming chips. Early birds who arrive for the event before 7:00pm will receive an extra 2,000 in gaming chips! Mark your calendar and watch for more details!



STEWARDSHIP – TREASURE

GENERAL COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$ 10,500.00
Jun 26	\$ 9,682.00 *
Jul 3	\$ 13,031.00
Jul 10	\$ 10,424.00
Jul 17	\$ 10,705.00
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 34,160.00
Goal-to-Date (3 Weeks)	\$ 31,500.00
% of Goal Collected	108.44 %
Annual Goal	\$ 546,000.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$ 3,750.00
Jun 26	\$ 1,699.00 *
Jul 3	\$ 5,137.50
Jul 10	\$ 2,858.77
Jul 17	\$ 2,165.00
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 10,161.27
Goal-to-Date (3 Weeks)	\$ 11,250.00
% of Goal Collected	90.32 %
Annual Goal	\$ 195,000.00

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

SECOND COLLECTION

None

*"The law of your mouth is to me more precious than thousands of gold and silver pieces," says the Psalmist today. Does my offering suggest that I could honestly say the same?
(See Psalm 119)*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: St. Kames: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 20:20-28
Tue: Sts. Joachim & Anne: Ex 33:7-11,34:5-9; Mt 13:36-43
Wed: Ex 34:29-35; Mt 13:44-46
Thu: Ex 40:16-21,34-38; Mt 13:47-53
Fri: St. Martha: Lv 23:1,4-11,15-16,27,34-37; Jn 11:19-27
Sat: Lv 25:1,8-17; Mt 14:1-12 (St. Peter Chrysologus, BVM)



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 tonight, 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. Questions, please call 721-8329.



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.

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.

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The Journey Continues: Synod Pastoral Initiative, 4

Becoming a Sacramental Person at the Eucharistic Table

Sunday, August 21, 2005
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Diocesan Pastoral Center 2110 Broadway, Sacramento

\$20.00 per person

(Morning & Afternoon hospitality offered, please bring a bag lunch)

Facilitated by Gil Bailie, Ph.D

Long before either the Pauline epistles or the Gospels were written, communities gathered regularly for the Eucharistic meal. Each one of us are called to become sacramental people modeled on the self-donation of Christ on the Cross.

To register or for more information,
please call Claudia at 733-0138

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE - AND BEYOND

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL POSITIONS OPEN:

St. Francis High School is now accepting applications for the following:

Math Teacher: A full time math teacher for calculus or higher level math. Please submit the teaching position application along with a resume by Friday, July 29.

Athletic Trainer: The Athletic Trainer is appointed by the Principal, and is directly accountable to the Athletic Director of St. Francis High School. The Athletic Trainer is responsible for supporting and monitoring all athletic areas in regards to student safety and injuries. National Athletic Trainer Association Certification Required.

Arts Coordinator: The Arts Coordinator is appointed by the Principal, and is directly accountable to the Assistant Principal for Student Affairs & Instruction of St. Francis High School. The Arts Coordinator works directly with the Arts Faculty, Arts Patron Board Members and parent volunteers to organize and facilitate all arts-related events at the school. 10 month position. Applications due by 7/29/05.

For further information, or to apply contact

Pat Maier, Human Resources Administrator
916-452-3461, ext. 290
PMAier@stfrancishs.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.

TRAVELS OF FAITH



PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY & SICILY:

Please join us on a fabulous 16-day pilgrimage to Italy, departing November 1, 2005, visiting the sites of the Eucharistic miracles and more!

Visit Florence, Orvieto, Assisi, Rome, Cascia, Loreto, Lanciano, Corato, San Giovanni Rotondo (Padre Pio), Naples, Pompei, Sorrento, Capri, and on to beautiful Sicily.

For details, please call Gloria Burgett, event coordinator, at 966-2230.

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.

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. Additional information can be seen on our website at www.csnca.com.

ARTICLE 10: WHO'S THE MOST IMPORTANT?

[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.]

Have you ever wondered why we sit for the first two readings at Mass but stand for the Gospel? This is one of several ways that the liturgy indicates the special significance of the portion of the Bible that is found in the four gospels.

We believe, of course, that Christ speaks to us in all the readings. Because he is the Word of God made flesh, whatever God says to us comes to us through Christ. Yet there is still something special about those four books that give us most of our information about Jesus himself. The gospels reveal him to us, recounting his teaching and his miracles, his journeys and his encounters with people of his time, his death and his resurrection. It is in the four gospels that we find the fullest picture of Jesus and his meaning for our lives.

There are several ways that the liturgy reminds us of the preeminence of the gospels. Before the gospel is proclaimed, the deacon or priest expresses the hope that the Lord will be with us, and we respond in kind. This reminds us that the Lord is present in the gospel in a special way. On special occasions, the minister will also incense the Lectionary or the Gospel Book to express our reverence for Christ.

Many parishes use a special Book of the Gospels for this proclamation. Though this is not required, it is encouraged in the official documents from Rome. The Gospel Book is carried in procession at the beginning of Mass and commonly placed on the altar until the time to proclaim the gospel reading.

The main expression of the gospel's importance, however, is the gospel procession after the second reading. Following our shared silence after that reading, we all stand and sing the gospel acclamation. That music is designed to accompany the procession of the deacon or priest to the ambo for the proclamation of the gospel. Asking for the grace to proclaim the gospel well, the deacon receives a blessing from the priest (or if the priest will proclaim the gospel, he bows briefly in prayer). If there is a separate Gospel Book, he carries that in procession, raising it high for all to see and acknowledge. He may be accompanied by servers with candles and with incense if that is being used. As the procession forms and moves, the whole assembly acclaims Christ and welcomes him in his word by singing the Alleluias (or another acclamation during Lent).

All of this is intended to open our minds and hearts in a special way to the words of the gospel. It clearly indicates that something important is about to happen and that we should all be fully attentive.

Of course, hearing the gospel is only the first step. Once we have heard the words, then we have to figure out how to live them. Through the gospel, Christ challenges us to imitate him and to walk in his ways. That's why the liturgy treats it with such solemnity and reverence.

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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:

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