



September 11, 2005 – Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion." Psalm 103

† Servant Leader †

OUR CHURCH EMBRACES ALL NATIONS

Do you ever wonder why Jesus did not tell his disciples to go and make disciples of some nations rather than go and make disciples of all nations? Do you think we sometimes have the mentality of and even act as though Jesus said, "Go and take care of your own group of folks!"

We proudly call ourselves Catholics, and we profess our faith in the Catholic Church. Catholic means universal and universal means everybody. Do you think some of us have difficulty including "all nations" or "everyone" in our idea of ministry in the Catholic Church?

We are all made in the image and likeness of God! Even those who look different than we or who come from strange or foreign lands are made in the image and likeness of God and therefore are truly our brothers and sisters.

We remember that Jesus laid it on the line in His teaching about the time of judgment and final decision-making on evaluating our life style and conduct as His followers. Remember those criteria of Jesus: as long as you cared about - or failed to consider - one of these least of My brothers or sisters, you did it to Me?

If we are honest, we know our own disregard - and even at times injustice - to our brothers and sisters in the past and even still today. That is what we generally call racism, discrimination and prejudice.

We are challenged in our time with the unprecedented influx of newcomers from various Hispanic countries. Some still find it difficult and challenging to accept these new cultures genuinely into our lives and into our communities. Immigrants 100 years ago faced similar discrimination. However, the vast majority then and now was open and accepting to the greater good of our country.

We are called to live up to our professed faith in Jesus Christ and our commitment to His teachings, His value system, His truths, His way of life.

The Catholic Church wishes to do all it can to reach out to our brothers and sisters, to welcome them, to assist them and to embrace them into our communities. Most of them share our Catholic Faith. As we know from past history of immigration they will now and in the future strengthen our country, enrich our Church, enhance our faith and the living of our Catholic Faith in many ways, especially in family life.

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Monte Carlo Night Saturday, September 24th

Monte Carlo Night is just around the corner! Tickets will be available after all the Masses this weekend. 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 7:00 pm will receive an extra 2,000 in gaming chips!
Don't miss out on this evening of fun and fellowship that will benefit your whole parish family! Mark your calendar and watch for full details in next week's bulletin!



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: 1 Tm 2:1-8; Lk 7:1-10 (*The Most Holy Name of Mary*)
Tue: St. John Chrysostom: 1 Tm 3:1-13; Lk 7:11-17
Wed: Exaltation of the Holy Cross:
Nm 21:4b-9; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Thu: Our Lady of Sorrows:
1 Tm 4:12-16; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Fri: St. Cornelius and Cyprian: 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Lk 8:1-3
Sat: 1 Tm 6:13-16; Lk 8:4-15 (*St. Robert Bellarmine; BVM*)
Sun: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Is 55:6-9; Phil 1:20c-24,27a; Mt 20:1-16a



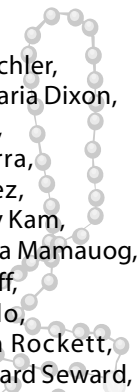
MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: Harvey Bialk +
Aurelia Fernandez +
Gaetano & Louise Francescon +
Tuesday: Tom & Maureen Poeschl -Int.
Wednesday: Dewain Koch +
Thursday: Charles Gibson +
Sandra Sherburn +



PRAYER CORNER

Please remember in your prayers:
Marcel Arnal, Mary Avila, Cody Bartley, Ray Bechler, Charles Black, Jill Boyd, Diane Cummings, Maria Dixon, Andrew Flores, Roman Fontana, Jean Freeland, Evelyn Gonsalves, Robert Gonzaga, Max Guerra, Charlene Gutierrez, J. Gutierrez, R. Gutierrez, Gary Hayes, Stanley Hayes, Tina Karlin, Jenny Kam, Betty Kava, Esther Layfield, Mafua Family, Maria Mamauog, Maria Martinez, Earl Mattingly, Mary Nekrassoff, Eleanor Obmann, Bud Phelps, Peter Popjevalo, Fr. Powers, Christine Regan, Fred Regan, Zan Rockett, Charles Schneider, Katherine Schottgen, Richard Seward, Judy Smoot, Jo Ster, Clement Sweeney, D. Sweeney, Maureena Sutton, I. Thompson, X. Thompson, Bishop Weigand, Bob Westbrook, Jessie Williams, Lani Zacherson



Stewardship

~ a way of life ~

STEWARDSHIP – TREASURE

GENERAL COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$	10,500.00
Aug 14	\$	10,014.00
Aug 21	\$	8,716.00
Aug 28	\$	9,527.00
Sep 4	\$	11,577.00
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$	104,598.00
Goal-to-Date (10 Weeks)	\$	105,000.00
% of Goal Collected		99.62 %
Annual Goal	\$	546,000.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$	3,750.00
Aug 14	\$	2,321.00
Aug 21	\$	2,385.30
Aug 28	\$	341.50
Sep 4	\$	4,747.50
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$	26,701.34
Goal-to-Date (10 Weeks)	\$	37,500.00
% of Goal Collected		71.20 %
Annual Goal	\$	195,000.00

SECOND COLLECTION

Catholic Faith Formation	\$	2,148.00
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Is stewardship optional? "None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master," says St. Paul. "While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as His servants." See Romans 14:7-9

DIOCESAN PRIESTS RETIREMENT COLLECTION: NEXT WEEKEND

"Great job available, with long hours and low pay!" If you think about it, our Diocesan priests answered just such a call when they were ordained. Next weekend, we can thank these men who have committed themselves to God so that we all can share the Eucharist. There will be a second collection for the Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund, established over thirty years ago as a benefit for our diocesan priests. Your generosity is a tangible way of saying "Thank you to these priests who have served us faithfully in the Sacramento Diocese."

ST VINCENT DE PAUL TRUCK AT HOLY FAMILY

The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be in the Holy Family parking lot on Saturday evening, September 17th, from 3:30pm until 6:00pm. It will also be open from 7:00 am until 1:30 pm on Sunday. We will be more than happy to accept your donations of gently used clothing, furniture and household goods. Unfortunately we are unable to accept anything that is soiled, ripped, torn, or stained. Again, thank you for your continued generosity and support.

Second Collection Today:

A PLEA FROM BISHOP WEIGAND FOR ASSISTANCE TO THE VICTIMS OF KATRINA:

The devastation wrought by hurricane Katrina has left millions of people in need of assistance. Nationally, Catholic Charities USA, working with the local diocesan Catholic Charities, will be among the primary respondents. It has a professional and well-developed system of reviewing the needs and providing help where it can accomplish the most good. The needs will be great and long-lasting. In addition, there is the possibility of more hurricanes over the next several weeks.

Therefore, I ask that you consider taking up, in your parish, a second collection for the relief of the victims of Katrina and other hurricanes of this season. Remembering the outstanding generosity to the tsunami relief, I thank you in advance for what I am sure will be a very generous response from the people of the Sacramento Diocese.

Be assured of my prayers and best wishes.

Bishop William K. Weigand

[Holy Family will take up this collection for victims of Katrina this weekend, September 11th and 12th. Please be generous, as you have always been, in this time of great need.]

WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!

Anyone who has walked past our Rectory lately may have noticed the brick walls of the planter beds are about to collapse. A generous parishioner has volunteered to dig out the dirt, transplant the plants, etc., but we REALLY NEED someone who is good at setting bricks to volunteer to repair the planter boxes. If you have this skill, please call and leave your name with the Parish Office at 723-2494. We will contact you for scheduling and to determine what materials you need.

VOLUNTEER COMMUNITY CHAPLAIN PROGRAM:

Sacramento's volunteer community chaplain program responds with law enforcement to homicides, suicides, child deaths and other traumatic events, providing profound comfort to victims' families and friends. The U.S. Department of Justice has recognized it as the model program of its kind. If this is the kind of ministry to which you think you might be called, please visit www.sacchaplains.com or call 916-857-1801 for more info.



Health Ministry

LIFE LINE SCREENING

Do you have high cholesterol? Do you have an irregular heartbeat? If so, you may want to consider having your carotid arteries screened. The leading cause of strokes is plaque build up in the carotid arteries. Holy Family will be hosting a screening on Friday, October 14th from 9-4:30pm. Life Line Screening provides four high-quality, low-cost screenings. You must call 1.800.324.1851 to pre-register or for more information.



HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL students are in the midst of the fall sports season! Boys and girls in grades four through eight are eligible to participate in Bowling, which is offered as a recreational sport after school. Girls in grades five through eight play volleyball on a variety of Parochial Athletic League competitive and recreational teams, and boys in grades six through eight play in the Parochial Athletic League's Flag Football Program. Mrs. Barbara Marsolais is the school's Athletic Director who keeps Holy Family School's approximately twenty-five different teams playing throughout the year!

YOUTH MINISTRY

GET READY FOR SLAM!!!

Attention parish 7th graders- Sunday Learning AM is coming to a parish near you - to **your** parish to be exact! Today, Sunday, September 11th at 10:10, will mark the first day of classes. If you have not registered yet, please call 726-7217 or email rebecca_hfcff@yahoo.com immediately. It's sure to be a grand SLAM!

HOOPIN' IT UP - HOLY STYLE!

All High School Youth are invited to the open gym on Thursday evenings at 7pm. in the Community Center. Bring your game and a friend!



TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Our national memory will keep this day holy for generations to come, as we remember the innocent dead. Our memories of the attack on our nation are intertwined with memories of how we human beings are natural symbol-makers. In one parish, as a candlelight vigil ended, the assembly, without being instructed, took their candles and stood shoulder to shoulder, down the steps and along the city streets for a quarter mile. Slowly, people came out of their houses bearing tapers and candles. In the first hours of crisis, we stood vigil, we prayed from the heart, and we celebrated the human ability to draw light out of terrible darkness.

Stories of that terrible day necessarily drift to tales of heroism, courage, dignity, faith, solidarity, hope, community. The church learned long ago through hard experience that "the blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church." Perhaps the victims of 9/11 have gifts to bring that we are only just discovering as believers in a just and loving God. They are teaching us still, and today is a day for lighting candles at the table and being silent for a moment before the abundance of God's gifts. Today reminds us that we are capable of acts of indescribable beauty even in the face of great evil.

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NEW MINISTRY FOR MOTHERS BEGINS SOON - ORIENTATION THIS WEEK!!

Our 8-week journey begins on September 21 at 7:00 p.m. Open to mothers of all ages! This ministry hopes to embrace and challenge mothers at every stage of spirituality to deepen their relationships with God, supporting one another to bring Christ to their families and others. Please consider participating in this beautiful ministry...truly a gift for the entire family. Registration is still open! Orientation is on Wednesday Sept. 14, 2005. Please call Jasmin Gonzales 771-3795 or Julie Desrochers at 784-7622 for details.

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS OPEN HOUSE FOR PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS:

Christian Brothers High School will hold its annual Open House for prospective students and parents on Sunday, October 9, 2005 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to tour the facilities as well as explore the academics and extra curricular programs of Sacramento's only Catholic, co-educational, high school serving Sacramento since 1876. Informational presentations will be given at 1:30 and 2:30 pm in the school gymnasium. For more information call the admissions office, 733-3690 or log onto our website @ www.cbhs-sacramento.org.

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION CLASSES BEGIN TODAY:

Holy Family Religious Education Classes begin today for the fall session. Classes are held after the 9:00 am Mass from 10:10-11:30 am. Please call Bonnie Johnson at the Faith Formation Office for more information, 726-7217.

HOLY FAMILY PARISH FESTIVAL OCTOBER 15TH & 16TH:

The Parish Festival is rapidly approaching and we need your help to make the Festival a resounding success!! Anyone willing to help with the festival, please contact the festival co-chairs at 2004festival@surewest.net or via phone at 9885171 for Michelle Stofan, 726-4154 for Alison Andrade, and 797-4843 for Jennifer Bishop.

Parish Festival Craft Booth Forms are available in the school office for anyone wanting to display and sell their products at the Festival.

Performers are needed for the Parish Festival. If you or your child is involved in a group that is interested in performing at the Parish Festival, please contact any of the co-chairs listed above.

SUPPORT A HOLY FAMILY CUB SCOUT PACK 212 EVENT:

Join us Friday, September 23rd at 6:00 PM in St. Joseph Hall for the 2nd Annual Great Spaghetti Get Together.

Tickets are \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children 10 and under
Dinner includes salad, bread, spaghetti & dessert



Just think: end-of-the-week, food, family, friends
and fun WITH NO COOKING OR CLEANUP!!

Please call/email Cristina for tickets at (916) 715-6601 or cristina@robertsonengineering.com

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE - AND BEYOND

CALLING ST. MARY SCHOOL ALUMNI!

On September 17th and 18th St. Mary School in Sacramento will kick off a year-long Anniversary Celebration with a weekend of fun activities for grownups and kids alike. If you are an alumni of St. Mary School or a former parishioner please join us for a great weekend of reunion, remembrances and celebration! On Saturday, September 17th a Welcome Reception for alumni, parents and parishioners will be held from 6:30 pm to 10:30 p.m. on the grounds of the school. (If you liked our Wine Tasting, you'll love this event.) On Sunday, September 18th a Family Picnic will begin with an Anniversary Mass at 11 a.m., followed by a picnic with children's activities and open house. Ticket prices are \$15 for the Welcome Reception, and \$5 for the Family Picnic. Please call St. Mary School at 452-1100 for tickets or more information

HEALING AFTER ABORTION RETREAT SEPT. 16-18,2005:

Struggling after abortion? Still seeking peace years after the choice? Experience the healing love of Jesus at Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, Sept. 16-18 in Auburn sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento. The weekend retreat will combine discussions, spiritual exercises, sacrament of reconciliation, memorial service and Mass. The cost is \$150 for meals, private room and all retreat materials. Financial assistance is available. For a registration packet or more information, call Kathy @ (916)733-0161 or 1-888-HOPE-790 or email kconner@diocese-sacramento.org Inquiries and participation strictly confidential.

CATHOLIC PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS BREAKFAST CLUB:

The Club meets next on Weds., Sep. 14, from 7:00 to 8:30 am at the Hilton Sacramento Arden West, 2200 Harvard, Sacramento (Business 80 & Arden Way West). Catholic author Carl Olson, will speak on: "The *DaVinci* Hoax: Exposing the Errors in *The DaVinci Code*." To reserve your place, please register by calling (916) 930-1144 by Monday, Sep. 12, at 12:00 noon.

ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL FAMILY DINNER DANCE:

Put on your tropical outfits and dancing shoes and spend a "TROPICAL NIGHT AT ST. FRANCIS" on Saturday, October 1st, 6:00 to 11:30 PM. The dinner dance, sponsored by the St. Francis High School Family and Friends, is suitable for the entire family. \$25.00 per person includes dinner, entertainment, and dancing. 5900 Elvas Avenue, Sacramento. For tickets, call Maria Reyes at 916-683-9563.

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

Call (916) 452-3344.

FOR PARENTS OF CHILDREN OF ALL AGES:

Parenting classes will be held on Mondays from: 6 pm - 8 pm beginning September 19th, 2005 through October 24th, 2005. The Parenting Class is a six-week program with a fee of \$55 for individuals/\$95 for couples per 6-week class. Please call Catholic Social Service/New Pathways Counseling at 452-7481 for further information and to enroll. The deadline to enroll is September 12, 2005.

SACRAMENTO CURSILLO IN ENGLISH MEN'S WEEKEND:

Sacramento Cursillo in English will have a men's 3-day weekend September 29 through October 2, and women's weekend November 3-6, 2005. Cursillo is a short course in Christianity. For more information & applications, call Jennifer Cunha, TEL: 916-984-0625, or visit www.sacramentocursillo.org.

CALLED TO LIVE A RADICAL LIFESTYLE:

This is an enrichment weekend for couples that have experienced a Marriage Encounter Weekend. This weekend begins where your Marriage Encounter Weekend ended and will explore areas in your relationship to further growth, intimacy and understanding. It will be held at the Double Tree Hotel in Burlingame, California on Oct. 7-9, 2005. To register, contact Bob & Karen Smith @408-224-4721 or bank73@sbcglobal.net.

CHRIST IS BECKONING

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS AND
DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:
October 6th & 7th

St. Clare Catholic Church
1950 Junction, Roseville, CA 95747

Plan to attend this extraordinary religious program:

- October 6th
 - 7:00 pm Opening Ceremonies
 - 7:30 Mass with Exposition of the Eucharist
 - Nocturnal Adoration all night
- October 7th
 - 8:30 am Mass (con-celebrated)
 - Eucharistic Adoration will continue until . . .
 - 7:00 pm Presentations on Vocations and the Eucharist
 - 8:00 pm Procession of the Blessed Sacrament
 - 8:30 Benediction celebrated by Bishop Joseph Madera

Featured Speakers

Vocations:

Sr. Maria Compos, RSM
Father Brian Atienza

Eucharist:

Father Arnold Ortiz, OSJ



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ARTICLE 17: WE ALL GIVETHANKS AND PRAISE

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

How many of you know when the Eucharistic Prayer begins? The first part of this central prayer of the Mass is a variable section called the Preface. That term does not mean that it is a preliminary section like the preface of a book; it comes from a Latin Word that simply means a proclamation. In the preface we proclaim our praise of God, focusing on one or several aspects of God's wondrous works on our behalf.

The Preface itself begins with that standard dialogue that we all can recite in our sleep: The Lord be with you. And also with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

This simple ritual dialogue tells us a couple of very important things about the Eucharistic Prayer. The first is that the prayer involves us all. Though the priest proclaims most of the prayer alone, right at the beginning we are reminded that we have a part to play. Notice the plural terms: We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord.

This is not a private prayer of the priest but a communal prayer that he proclaims in our name. As we move through the prayer, we continue to respond to what the priest proclaims. We sing the Holy, Holy at the end of the Preface. We sing the Memorial Acclamation after the account of the Last Supper. And we affirm and conclude the whole prayer with our Great Amen. This is a prayer that belongs to us all. We offer it to the Father together, united with Christ our head.

The second thing the preface dialogue reminds us is that the Eucharistic Prayer is a prayer of thanks and praise. "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise." This is also reflected in the very name of the prayer; the word Eucharist, you may recall, comes from the Latin for thanksgiving. We gather every week to thank God for all the gifts we have received from the hand of the Lord. We praise God for His goodness and love, revealed to us through Jesus Christ.

This central prayer of the Mass, then, calls for our full attention and participation. We need to listen

carefully to the words of the Eucharistic Prayer and make them our own prayer by responding with the sung acclamations. We need to truly lift up our hearts and give thanks and praise to God.

This will be easier if we take a few moments before we come to Mass to recall some of the reasons we have to be grateful to God. We always give thanks for our salvation through Christ, but we should also be thankful for the many blessings we receive each week. Perhaps we should take a few moments each night to reflect on the blessings of the day. If we give God thanks each day, then we might be better prepared to do that together here on Sunday.

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