



## April 16, 2006 – Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord

*"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!" Psalm 118:24*

### † Servant Leader †

## Resurrection!

*For Christians throughout the world, the dawn of Easter morning marks the celebration of the triumph of life over death, as we affirm our faith in the resurrection of Jesus.*

*Religious faith is easily caricatured these days, dismissed as a failure of nerve before the ambiguities of real life or, more sobering, is identified with a fanaticism that seeks to assert its dominance over nonbelievers. However, the lessons of Lent have reminded us of the emptiness of such caricatures.*

*The annual pilgrimage of Lent has been a renewal of religious memory, as the liturgy led us through the history of salvation, a story of broken covenants and a God of justice and mercy. It is not a story of easy escapes but of painful exile, of testing in the desert and prophetic denunciations and, finally, of a new covenant sealed in the passion and death of Jesus. On Easter morning, then, Christians do not indulge in a magical but momentary distraction from the raw reality of life and the dangers of our moment in history. On the contrary, our Easter celebration can help us more dearly recognize ourselves and the possibilities of our historical moment.*

*Christian hope is rooted in Christian realism. Authentic hope is, above all, resilient; it survives the shattering of all expectations. It is capable of confronting a future that can never be dearly predicted and certainly cannot be fully controlled. Easter hope always deals with possibilities rather than guarantees. Hope, when all is said and done, is quite different from security. In our individual lives, as well as in the larger march of history, our Easter faith does not provide any exemption from darkness and danger. However, Easter does remind us of the deepest ground of our trust that there is meaning in our world as in our personal lives.*

*The triumph of Jesus over death assures us that our world will make sense in the long run, even if it sometimes seems to be spinning out of control. The march of history will not end in some cruel joke, even if along the way there are tragic detours. Our personal lives can achieve their full promise, even if our actions sometimes contradict our best intentions. The final word in our personal pilgrimage and in the story of the human family will be a word of light and love.*

*In the Book of Deuteronomy, the people of Israel express their faith that God's word is uttered in an ever-present now: "Today you hear his voice." God's word is not only a revered memory; it is an enduring challenge. And for the Christian, the passion of Jesus is a contemporaneous experience, renewed in the sacramental remembrance of the liturgy but also present in the scars of the oppressed and the brutalized today, whether in the deserts of Darfur, the violent streets of Baghdad or the forgotten pockets of poverty in affluent Western cities. Whatever you have*

*done to the least of my people, Jesus said, you have done to me. This sense of the continuing passion of Jesus in our world today roots our Easter faith in the actual cries of God's people.*

*The religious memories that engage us during Holy Week are fulfilled on Easter morning; but they are, after all, memories of suffering - the exile of Israel, the passion and death of Jesus - and these same memories of suffering and death are the source of a renewed hope. Authentic hope does not blink at the dark realities of life: pain, betrayal, oppression and death. Authentic hope is grounded in the unshakable trust that God will be faithful to his people, and the power of his spirit can transform darkness into light, rescue love from loneliness and bring life out of death.*

*Finally, Christians believe that the resurrection of Jesus does not only mean that eternal life awaits us after death; we also believe that life can come out of death, that death and resurrection is a pattern that prevails throughout our pilgrimage. If the grain of wheat does not fall to the ground and die, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. This biblical image (John 12:24) captures a law of our human condition. The life that is not shared is squandered; the life that is given away is richer for the human spirit when men and women risk their own lives to save others, on a battlefield or in the less dramatic but daily generosity that holds families together and nourishes children.*

*The resurrection of Jesus confirms our trust that life comes after death and that life comes out of death. The promise of eternal life awaits us at the end of our pilgrimage, and the promise of new life is present in the daily dying of a life lived in love. The Lord has risen and has gone before us. We need not fear the future.*

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon: Acts 2:14, 22-33; Mt 28:8-15  
Tue: Acts 2:36-41; Jn 20:11-18  
Wed: Acts 3:1-10; Lk 24:13-35  
Thu: Acts 3:11-26; Lk 24:35-48  
Fri: Acts 4:1-12; Jn 21:1-14  
Sat: Acts 4:13-21; Mk 16:9-15  
Sun: Second Sunday of Easter  
Acts 4:32-35; Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31



### **Questions of the Week:**

For Adults: What impact does the Resurrection of Jesus have on your world view?  
For Children: Name one way that you will celebrate the new life of Easter this week.

# Stewardship

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## SPRING CLEAN-UP/ FIX-UP/ REPAIR:

We need help with your donation of time, talent and treasure - and equipment...

- Around the church & rectory and community center – rake leaves, clean flower beds, trim bushes and tree branches.
- Rain gutters on the rectory, garage & chapel – clean-out and some repair.
- Painting and lite repair – refinish church doors, also replace one door closer; replace carpeting & paint the church confessionals.
- Brick and cement repair around the rectory – help to lay approx. 100 cement blocks and pour a 4' by 6' cement pad.

Anyone can join in and help... for an hour or a day... weekdays or Saturdays...

Please call Bob @729-3334 or Bill @ 722-5578.

## ST. PATRICK'S HOME FOR CHILDREN

Do you have room in your heart and your home to foster or adopt a child? Children newborn to 18 years old, all ethnicities, need homes - how about yours? Please call St. Patrick's Home for Children 421-1620 x 230 to learn how you can help!

## 2006 CATHOLIC HOME MISSION APPEAL

In two weeks our second collection will be for the Catholic Home Mission Appeal. This appeal supports the Home Missions - places in the United States where the Catholic Church struggles to keep parishes open and to educate children in the faith. Watch for more details...

## THANK YOU LETTER FROM INDIA

It is wonderful to know what tremendous impact our generosity has on those we are able to help. Please read the letter our parish received from the Sisters of Visitation in Alleppey, Kerala, India, regarding your generous support of their work. The text of the letter can be found elsewhere in today's bulletin.

(Please see: A Letter to Holy Family Parish)

STEWARDSHIP – TREASURE	
<b>GENERAL COLLECTION</b>	
<b>Weekly Goal</b>	\$ 10,500.00
Mar 19 .....	\$ 11,132.00
Mar 26 .....	\$ 10,200.00
Apr 2 .....	\$ 12,079.00
Apr 9 .....	\$ 13,131.00
<b>YEAR-TO-DATE</b>	\$ <b>431,366.00</b>
Goal-to-Date (41 Weeks)	\$ 430,500.00
% of Goal Collected	<b>100.20 %</b>
<b>Annual Goal</b>	\$ 546,000.00
<b>CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COLLECTION</b>	
<b>Weekly Goal</b>	\$ 3,750.00
Mar 19 .....	\$ 2,233.50
Mar 26 .....	\$ 1,100.00
Apr 2 .....	\$ 2,475.00
Apr 9 .....	\$ 1,323.50
<b>YEAR-TO-DATE</b>	\$ <b>95,462.34</b>
Goal-to-Date (41 Weeks)	\$ 153,750.00
% of Goal Collected	<b>62.09 %</b>
<b>Annual Goal</b>	\$ 195,000.00
<b>SECOND COLLECTION</b>	
Legacy Restoration Appeal .....	\$ TBD
<i>Alleluia! Christ is risen and is victorious over sin and death! We are good stewards of our faith if, like St. Paul, we share this good news whenever and wherever we can.</i>	

## PRAYER CORNER

Please remember in your prayers:

Barbie Adorno, Peter Alvarez, Marcel Arnal, Mary Avila, Jack Barca, Cody Bartley, Ray Bechler, Teresa Bennett Smith, Charles Black, Jill Boyd, Shirley Bryant, Bernard Burke, Darren Crose, Rita Crutcher, Diane Cummings, Julie Desrochers, Maria Dixon, Andrew Flores, Roman Fontana, Frances & Leo Girard, Evelyn Gonsalves, Robert Gonzaga, Max Guerra, Charlene Gutierrez, Rick Gutierrez, Stanley Hayes, Randy Kennedy, Kimberly Kolodzie, Ian Larmore, Maria Mamauog, Maria Martinez, Earl Mattingly, Luke McCord, Jenine Michilena, Mary Nekrassoff, Eleanor Obmann, Lee Ann Parrott, Nita Parrott, Bud Phelps, Sr. Mary Porter, Christine Regan, Raymond Remick, Zan Rockett, Nikelle Schafer, Charles Schneider, Katherine Schottgen, Theresa Shelly, Lisa Stamps, Phyllis Steele, Jo Ster, Laura & Paul Studer, Clement Sweeney, D. Sweeney, Maureena Sutton, Elise Taylor, I. Thompson, X. Thompson, Jean Villanueva, Bishop Weigand, Lani Zacherson, Claudette Zompetta

## TO THE HOLY FAMILY PARISH SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY

There are no words that can express my gratitude for all the prayers and love I received since the illness and death of my husband, Chuck Brown. Special thank you to Fr. Santiago and Pat Regan for making his services so complete. Thank you and God bless you all.

Ginny Brown

## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday: Mary Lozano -Int.; Melody McCoy -Int.  
Stacy Daurte -Int.

Tuesday: Robert Vega +; Stacy Daurte -Int.  
Julie Desrochers -Int.

Wednesday: Peter Popjevalo +; Sadie Cuccia +  
Stacy Daurte -Int.

Thursday: Stacy Daurte -Int.; Charles Brown +  
Cindy & Joseph Rawl -Int.

Friday: Leo Marsolais +; Stacy Daurte -Int.  
Thanks to St. Jude; Cassel Meier Family -Int.





**HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL** students, faculty, and staff extend their thanks this Easter Season to Holy Family Parish for the ongoing and encouraging support which the school receives from Father Kiernan, Father Santiago, Deacon Mark Holt, and every parishioner!

The school community's prayer is that you and all those whom you love will share abundantly in the Blessings of the Resurrection!

**Happy Easter!**

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### **SUMMER SERVICE EXPERIENCE**

Holy Family Youth Ministry is considering a week long Service Experience this summer. All high school youth who may be interested should contact the youth ministry office for more info call 721-8329 or email: holyfamilycym@yahoo.com.

### **HOOPIN' IT UP - HOLY STYLE!**

All High School Youth are invited to the Open Gym Night on second and fourth Thursday evenings of each month at 7 pm in the Community Center. The next Open Gym night is this Thursday, April 20th. Bring your game and a friend!



### **K.I.D.S. CAMP SUMMER PROGRAM**

Holy Family Preschool will **Keep the Interests** of its campers **Developing All Summer** with stimulating theme-based activities. Imagine creating your own sand art, building a life-size alien, learning to hula dance, eating s'mores, making edible peanut butter play dough, participating in the Olympics and much more.

The camp is open Monday through Friday from 7:00 am until 6:00 pm beginning June 1st and concluding August 9th. Part time days are also available. It will include children ages 2 (potty trained) through third grade. Some of the featured events include, Fun Lunch Fridays, Ms. Amy's Gymnastics Program, Beach Day, a Hula Dancer, a fireworks display and special guests!

Please contact Lucy Eberhardt, Camp Director at 722-4620 for further details. Space is limited so please call today.

### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

Are you looking for the living waters of God's graces that Jesus spoke of to the woman at the well? This well can be found in our beautiful Chapel, where Jesus awaits your arrival and longs to rain down His bountiful graces upon you. Come and see! Meet with Jesus like the Samaritan woman and encounter His loving presence!



### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - NEXT WEEKEND**

Next weekend, the Second Sunday of Easter, the church celebrates Divine Mercy Sunday. There will be incense at all Masses except the Saturday 4:30 pm Vigil Mass.

### **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AT THE CATHEDRAL**

The Diocese will hold its celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday April 23rd at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, 11th & K. 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet will be followed by 3:30 pm Mass celebrated by Fr. Sylvester Kwiatkowski. Veneration of the Divine Mercy image and the relic of St. Faustina will follow Mass. Please join us.

### **DIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN CONVENTION**

The Sacramento Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (SDCCW) will hold their 73rd annual Convention on Friday and Saturday, April 28 and 29 2006, at the Holiday Inn, Sacramento Northeast, 5341 Date Avenue, Sacramento 916-338-5800. The theme is Women United in Faith and Service. All women in the parish are welcome and invited to attend. For information, call Gloria Burgett - 916-966-2230.

### **PASTORAL COUNCIL VACANCIES:**

The Pastoral Council needs to fill 2 vacancies. If you are interested in becoming a member of this council, please call the parish office at 723-2494 and leave your name and phone number. The Pastoral Council assists the pastor in the pastoral planning of the parish.

### **HAVE YOU HEARD?**

There is a small Parish Library in the Community-St. Joseph's Hall for Holy Family Parishioners, adults and young adults interested in Who's Who among the Saints, some great authors, reading and a few religious novels such as "Joshua". The Library is usually open during hospitality Sunday Mornings 8:30 to 10:30 and always open during the K of C breakfast the first Sunday of the month.

### **VOCATIONS CROSS**

Each week a parish family is presented with the Vocations Cross to take home for the week and asked to pray daily for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life. The next Sunday, the family will return the cross and another family will be presented the cross to pray for vocations. If you are interested in taking the Vocation Cross home, please contact Young Stewart at 332-8732.

### **SENIOR NEEDS VISITORS**

If you have some time to offer a warm smile and a little friendly conversation, please consider filling the need for someone to visit a senior citizen at an assisted living facility on Old Auburn Road. If you would like more information or you're able to help, please call Debbie at 419-3228. Thanks!

### **COMPANION NEEDED FOR SENIOR PARISHIONER**

**WANTED:** A compassionate person to live in as a caregiver for an older lady of the Parish. This is a ideal position for a senior citizen. Room and Board will be provided. If you are interested or may know someone who would have a interest, please call Fr. Kiernan in the Parish Office, 723-2494.

# Catholics Returning Home

## **PROGRAM BEGINS THIS WEEK**

Do you know someone who has left the Church? Most of us do not have to look very far to find non-practicing Catholics in our circle of family and friends. Many of us are concerned about these loved ones however we don't know how to help them. Obviously, most of them are searching, but how can we help them find their way home?

As baptized, practicing Catholics we have a precious gift of faith and love from the Lord that needs to be shared with our non-practicing brothers and sisters. First, we need to pray for them. Secondly, we need to extend a personal invitation to them to come home to the Catholic Church. Most non-practicing Catholics are waiting for an invitation to return. Many mistakenly think they are excommunicated and are not welcome to return for a variety of reasons.

Many non-practicing Catholics carry a tremendous amount of guilt and misinformation about the Church so they are afraid of approaching the Church for fear of being rejected. You can make a tremendous difference in someone's life simply by reaching out to them and telling them that we miss them and would like for them to come back home to our Church family.

Here at Holy Family we have a special program to help non-practicing Catholics return to the Church called Catholics Returning Home. The next series begins This Thursday, April 20th. We will meet on Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:30 pm for six weeks. Please pass this information on to anyone who might be interested. For more information, call the Parish Office at 723-2494.



## **A Letter to Holy Family Parish**

Very Dear Rev Fathers and Parishioners,

Greetings of love, joy and peace from Sr. Mary Caroline, Visitation Generalate, Alleppey. Hope this letter will find you in good health and peace of mind.

This is to express our heart felt and sincere gratitude for what you have done for our congregation. I have received your generous donation the cheque in the amount of \$13,557 from the mission appeals in the Diocese of Sacramento. I appreciate all your love, affection, concern and encouragement above all your parishioners generous help which have a powerful support on our congregation. The Good Lord continues to lead all of us by His powerful hand all in all our undertakings. Convey our gratitude and love to all the people who generously helped for the construction of St. Sebastian's Nursing School, Arthunkal, which is getting ready to finish.

Once again thanking you dear fathers and all parishioners, you are very much in our prayers. May the Risen Lord bless you and keep you all close to His loving protection. We wish you all "A VERY HAPPY EASTER."

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus

Sr. Mary Caroline  
Superior General

## **NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES**

Want to find out what many counselors are starting to call "marriage insurance?" Wondering what the Church really teaches married couples about being open to life?

Come take a course in the symptom-thermal method of Natural Family Planning. Classes begin Wednesday, May 10, at 7:00 pm. at St Rose Parish on 5961 Franklin Blvd. in Sacramento. For more information, please call Suzanne at (916) 369-0844 or e-mail [afrancois@sbcglobal.net](mailto:afrancois@sbcglobal.net)

# Bogeys, Birdies & Backpacks

## **Pendola Center Annual Golf Tournament**

Monday, April 24, 2006  
North Ridge Country Club

Play your own ball or Scramble formats

Join us for golf, dinner, prizes,  
and raffle.

Help support our campership  
funding program for children to  
attend summer camp.

Play in the tournament, be a volunteer  
or donate an auction item.

Call Pendola Center for details:  
916-733-0127



## **The Diocese of Sacramento Lay Foundation Institute presents:**

### **Ecclesiology**

Facilitated by Rev. David Deibel, J.D., J.CL.

Site: Diocesan Pastoral Center  
2110 Broadway, Sacramento

Date: Saturday, April 22nd

Time: 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Cost: \$20

For more info, contact John Rieschick at 916/733-0133  
or [john@catholicfamily.com](mailto:john@catholicfamily.com).

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# NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE - AND BEYOND

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## **CATHOLIC LOBBY DAY 2006**

On Tuesday, April 25, at 9:00 am, concerned Catholics from all over California will gather at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in downtown Sacramento for the opening of an urgent call to action sponsored by the California Catholic Conference. We will celebrate Mass together, learn about issues that are important to us as Catholic citizens, rally at the Capitol, and dialogue with our legislators. Registration forms are available at the parish office or by calling Sue Schneider at the Diocesan Office of Social Service Ministry (916) 733-0253. The registration fee of \$5 includes the cost of lunch.

## **WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

Let Worldwide Marriage Encounter give you valuable tools to keep your marriage/Holy Orders strong. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is in Vallejo: April 21-23. Call Raul & Gayla at 866-825-2046 or go to [srsregistrar@comcast.net](mailto:srsregistrar@comcast.net).

## **HELP WANTED AT DIVINE SAVIOR PARISH:**

Director of Music and Liturgy: full-time position available immediately. Qualifications that include: ability to collaborate with diverse people including other staff, parish leaders, and those involved in liturgical ministries; ability to empower people to take ownership of their ministry; working knowledge of Catholic liturgical theology; ability to review music available and make selections that are appropriate for the parish; keyboard skills; conducting and orchestration skills; ability to attract people to serve in liturgical ministries, especially music. Salary is negotiable; benefits are included. Send or fax (916-989-7410) resume to Divine Savior Catholic Church, 9079 Greenback Lane, Orangevale, CA 95662 (916-989-7400- office).

## **14TH ANNUAL "KIDDER KLASSIC"**

For a FUN day in the sun, try playing golf! Holy Trinity is announcing the 14th Annual "Kidder Klassic" at Empire Ranch Golf Club on Saturday, May 6, 2006. The Kidder Klassic benefits the Holy Trinity Parish Human Concerns Ministry and the Holy Trinity School Academic/ Physical Education Programs. Come and join us in Fellowship. This year we will keep play moving using the "Fun Flight" and "2 Man Best Ball" format with 1st/2nd prize winners awarded. Golfers with established handicaps will play a "2 Man Best Ball" format. The "Fun Only Flight" is for the golfers who want to enjoy a day of recreational play. Check-in begins at 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM and the day is expected to end by 6:15 PM. Dinner will be served at 7:00 PM and includes the Famous Kidder Raffle and Auction. Dinner-only tickets are available. PLEASE CALL Lon or Tracy Wandell at (916) 941-0895 or email [twandell@comcast.net](mailto:twandell@comcast.net) to register for this event.

## **EXPLORE AFRICA!**

Explore Africa with the Sacramento Africa Initiative Group. Visit Nigeria and Ghana for 15 days in the summer of 2006 (July 23rd - August 6th). Observe first-hand the opportunities and issues facing Africa today. Cost = \$ 3,300 per person (double occupancy). For more details, contact Charlene Harris at (916) 733-0160; Charlene har@msn.com or Phyllis Johnson at (916) 729-8110; [lilpi@surewest.net](mailto:lilpi@surewest.net).

## **ROSEVILLE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BUS TRIP TO SPARKS**

The Knights of Columbus #4540 are sponsoring a bus trip to the Nugget Casino, Sparks, Nevada, on Sunday, April 23, 2006. The cost is \$25.00 with \$15.00 returned. Checks should be made payable to 'K of C #4540'. Please call Kathy at (916)783-3596 for details and reservations.

## **MILLION VOICES FOR DARFUR CAMPAIGN**

The Diocesan Social Service Ministry Office is urging all parishioners to participate in the Million Voices for Darfur campaign. The goal is to generate one million hand written and electronic postcards from Americans demanding a stronger and more effective U.S. response to the genocide in Darfur, which has claimed 400,000 lives. In addition, 2.5 million people are displaced and 3.5 million of our sisters and brothers are at risk of starvation.

Bishop John Ricard of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops recently said: "The crisis in Darfur must be ended. We cannot stand idly by while human life is threatened." Go online today at [www.savedarfur.org](http://www.savedarfur.org) and send an electronic postcard. Postcards sent by USPS can be addressed to:

Million Voices for Darfur  
2110 L Street NW, Suite 600  
Washington D.C. 20037.

## **LAND PARK GARDEN TEA AND TOUR:**

The Holy Spirit Church Active 30/90 Club is presenting the 8th Annual Land Park Garden Tour and Tea, on Saturday May 6th from 10-4. The Tour will include ten gardens in the Land Park area, a shopping boutique at the Church, and an optional High Tea at the Parker Residence.

For tickets, please call (916) 441-5807. Ticket prices are: Tea and Tour: \$35; Tour Only: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door.

## **CRISTO REY HIGH SCHOOL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF PRESIDENT**

Cristo Rey High School, Sacramento, a new Catholic, co-educational college preparatory school and part of the Cristo Rey Network is accepting applications for the position of President for the school year beginning in the fall of 2006. The President will report to a Board of Directors and work directly with three religious congregations which are cosponsoring the school.

A candidate should have proven experience as an enthusiastic, passionate, administrator who can direct all management aspects of the school. We seek candidates who are Catholic and possess a Master's Degree in Education or equivalent. Spanish fluency is desired but not required. Compensation will be commensurate with experience within the Cristo Rey Network range.

Applications are being accepted until April 19, 2006. Submit resume, salary expectations and cover letter to Deborah Pacyna, Cristo Rey Board of Directors, 400 Capitol Mall, Suite 2640, Sacramento, CA 95814. For more information, visit [www.cristoreysacramnto.org](http://www.cristoreysacramnto.org).