

June 25, 2006 – Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting" Psalm 107:1

† Servant Leader †

The Sacred Heart of Jesus

The month of June is dedicated by the Church to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and last Friday the feast of the Sacred Heart was observed. Here are some thoughts on this supremely important devotion.

The Church has always held devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus in such high regard, and continues to esteem it so greatly that she strives to have this devotion flourish throughout the world, and to promote it in every way among Christian peoples. In our own time, this most noble devotion has not been held enough in a place of honor and esteem.

There have been many reasons why the Church adores the Heart of the divine Redeemer. The first reason rests on the teaching by which we know that His Heart, as the noblest part of human nature is united to the Person of the divine Word, and must therefore be adored in the same way in which the Church adores the Person of the incarnate Son of God.

The second reason stems from the fact that His Heart, more than all the other members of His body, is the natural sign and symbol of His boundless love for the human race. Pope Leo XIII remarked: "In the Sacred Heart there is the symbol and the express image of the infinite love of Jesus Christ which moves us to love in return."

When the evidence on which devotion to the wounded Heart of Jesus rests is rightly weighed, it is clear to all that we are dealing here not with an ordinary form of piety which anyone may at his discretion esteem less than other devotions, or regard lightly, but with a duty of religion most conducive to Christian perfection. All are encouraged in Christ to cherish this form of devotion eagerly. Let us seriously consider this devotion, which has long flourished in the Church, and is firmly based on the Gospel and which tradition and the sacred liturgy openly encourage us.

With God's help may this year's celebration increase from day to day the love of the faithful for the most Sacred Heart of Jesus. And may His kingdom, a kingdom "of truth and life, a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace," be extended further to all in the whole world.

Sacred heart of Jesus, Thy kingdom come!



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon: 2 Kgs 17:5-8,13-15a; Mt 7:1-5
- Tue: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11,14-21,31-35a,36; Mt 7:6, 12-14
- Wed: St. Irenaeus: 2 Kgs 22:8-13;23:1-3; Mt 7:15-20
- Thu: Sts. Peter & Paul:
Acts 12:1-11; 2 Tm 4:6-8,17-18; Mt 16:13-19
- Fri: 2 Kgs 25:1-12; Mt 8:1-4
- Sat: Lam 2:2, 10-14,18-19; Mt 8:5-17
- Sun: Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time:
Wis 1:13-15;2:23-24; 2 Cor 8:7,9,13-15; Mk 5:21-43

Questions of the Week:

- For Adults: When and where have you been awed by God's action?
- For Children: Jesus makes the wind and the sea peaceful. How would you have felt if you were with Jesus and the disciples during the storm?

MASS INTENTIONS

- Monday: Dewain Koch +
Charles Steele +
- Tuesday: Jim Adams +
Charles Steele +
- Wednesday: Sadie Cuccia +
Bob Haskel +
- Thursday: Charles Steele +
Helen Poeschl +
- Friday: Rafael Virrueta +
Fred Gonzales +
- Saturday: EvanQuinonez -Int.



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, Joe Celeya, Bob Cleveland, Darren Crose, James Crutcher, Rita Crutcher, Diane Cummings, Julie Desrochers, Maria Dixon, John Dooney, Andrew Flores, Roman Fontana, Frances & Leo Girard, Evelyn Gonsalves, Robert Gonzaga, Manuel Guerra, Max Guerra, Rick Gutierrez, Stanley Hayes, Randy Kennedy, Kimberly Kolodzie, Ian Larmore, Maria Mamauog, Maria Martinez, Earl Mattingly, Luke McCord, Jenine Michilena, Mary Nekrassoff, Eleanor Obmann, Betty O'Neil, Lee Ann Parrott, Nita Parrott, Bud Phelps, Tom Poeschl, Sr. Mary Porter, Christine Regan, Raymond Remick, Zan Rockett, Nikelle Schafer, Charles Schneider, Katherine Schottgen, Theresa Shelly, Lisa Stamps, Jardee Stanley, Phyllis Steele, Jo Ster, Laura & Paul Studer, Simon Sucharski, Clement Sweeney, D. Sweeney, Maureen Sutton, Elise Taylor, I. Thompson, X. Thompson, Jean Villanueva, Frank Vogel, Marvin Webster, Bishop Weigand, Mike Williams, Lani Zacherson, Claudette Zompetta

Stewardship

~ a way of life ~

"FEED THE NEEDY" IS IN NEED

Feed the Needy is in need of a few volunteers on Wednesdays between 5:45 p.m. and 6:30 pm to help put tables and chairs away and to clean floors in the old hall. Come join us in this vital ministry.

SIGN OF THE "TIMES"

Our Parish Family is in need of a sign - literally! Fr. Kiernan has discussed the need for a large sign in front of our beautiful church with the name of the church and the times of masses and confessions. Such a sign can be a little costly. Rather than adding this significant cost to the Restoration Appeal or impacting the general fund, we are in search of one or more persons or groups to sponsor the sign. If you have any questions or are interested in assisting with this worthwhile cause, please call the Parish Office at 723-2494.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP UPDATE - A NEW YEAR

While we continue to work very hard to keep expenses in line, our budgeted needs for the coming year will be slightly higher than the last. We will be assigned a full-time priest to replace Fr. Santiago whose time was shared with the diocese, and this will bring additional expense. Various improvements are in the works including sealing and re-stripping the parking lot (see notice) and acquiring new tables and chairs for the Fine Arts Center.

I repeat my humbly request that we establish a new goal of \$11,000 in regular collections each Sunday for 2006-2007, an increase of \$500 over last year's weekly goal. This figure is based on our needs and on our track record - we successfully improved from the previous year to the one we are now completing, and I believe we can continue making this necessary progress. With this new level of stewardship, we can continue to do the vital work of the Lord in our parish community.

May God continue to bless you in your generosity, and may you and your families enjoy a blessed summer, and an abundance for every good work in the Lord.

Part of what I wrote in this space last week must be repeated just as it was written - I again humbly and deeply thank you for your tremendous generosity to Holy Family Parish. Since I arrived here I have promised that your generosity would be put to use in as careful and efficient a way as possible, and I have made and will continue to make every effort to keep that promise. And, in that same time, you have never ceased to amaze me with your generosity and willingness to do what it takes to support your parish family. Fr. Santiago, Deacon Mark and I are truly grateful for this spirit and for your tremendous support.

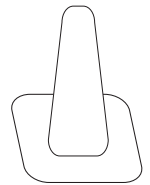
HOLY FATHER COLLECTION (PETER'S PENCE)

Today our parish participates in the 2006 Peter's Pence Collection for the Works of the Holy Father. Please help the pope provide immediate disaster relief and emergency aid to those suffering the effects of war, natural disaster, or oppression throughout the world. In doing so, we join one billion Catholic brothers and sisters in acting to share God's love in the world. Thank you for your generosity.

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PARKING LOTS TO BE CLOSED MONDAY 7/31/06 -SUNDAY 8/6/06

As part of our on-going restoration, the entire parking lot will be repaved and it will be closed for the week of July 31 through August 6. More details to follow....



STEWARDSHIP - TREASURE

GENERAL COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$ 10,500.00
May 28	\$ 9,785.00
June 4	\$ 11,865.00
June 11	\$ 9,761.00
June 18	\$ 10,037.00
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 533,642.00
Goal-to-Date (51 Weeks)	\$ 535,500.00
% of Goal Collected	99.65 %
Annual Goal	\$ 546,000.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COLLECTION

Weekly Goal	\$ 3,750.00
May 28	\$ 430.00
June 4	\$ 2,838.00
June 11	\$ 2,201.00
June 18	\$ 1,201.50
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 111,901.84
Goal-to-Date (51 Weeks)	\$ 191,250.00
% of Goal Collected	58.51 %
Annual Goal	\$ 195,000.00

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

None	\$ N/A
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St. Paul reminds us in the second reading that Christ died "so that those who live might live no longer for themselves." What we give to and do for others, we give to and do for Jesus.



HF PRESCHOOL ENROLLING FOR THE FALL

Holy Family Catholic Preschool- Enrolling now for the fall session - Holy Family Preschool is open 7:00 am to 6:00 pm and services students ages 2 (potty trained) through 5 years old. Experienced teachers present a Literature Based program that is age appropriate, offers kindergarten preparedness skills and a hands on experience for students of all ages. Gymnastics Program, snack, Bible stories, Christmas Program, Graduation Celebration and much more! Call Lucy Eberhardt at 722-4620 to arrange a school tour.

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!

SURVIVOR SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Available for students going into 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades. Join the Math and Language Art Challenge for the weeks of June 12th - June 23rd and July 10th - July 21st. The program is from 8:30 am until 12:00 noon, including academic and sports skills of all sorts. The courses are taught by fully accredited teachers. Daily snack and Survivor kit are provided.

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

DIOCESAN CATECHIST MINISTRY DAY 2006

Who Do You Say That I Am?

Date: Saturday, September 9, 2006

Time: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

9:00 a.m. Mass with Bishop Richard Garcia

Place: St. Francis Catholic High School
5900 Elvas Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95819

Cost: \$25 Registration fee - Every 11th person free if you register as a parish group
\$12 for a T-Shirt with our theme and logo imprinted in beautiful colors (optional)

Keynotes & Workshops. Wonderful food, Hospitality, Entertainment, Mariachi, Over 20 Exhibitors, Childcare Available (donations accepted)

Registration Forms & Workshop Information will follow soon. For More Information, Contact John Rieschick at 733-0133 or jrieschi@diocese-sacramento.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

COME MAKE A BIG SPLASH!!!!

Jr. High and High School Youth are invited to CYM Nite Slides at Sunsplash in Roseville on Friday, July 7th from 7:30-11pm. Cost is \$11 and you must sign up no later than June 30th by calling 721-8329- please leave your name and how many will attend. Friends are welcome!!!!

NO OPEN GYM 6/29

There will be NO OPEN GYM this Thursday, June 29th!

RIVERCATS GAME

Holy Family Youth Ministry will be going to the Rivercats game on Friday, July 14th at 7:05pm. We will have lawn seats in left field. Cost for ticket only is \$6 or you may choose a family pack which includes admission, hot dog, drink, pretzel, and an IMAX ticket. Cost for this option is: \$12 (limited availability). This event is open to all ages! If you are interested, you must call 721-8329 no later than July 3rd.



THE DIOCESE OF SACRAMENTO - A JOURNEY OF FAITH

This illustrated history of the Diocese of Sacramento tells the story of its parishes, schools and other institutions. This full-color, 272 page, hard cover book features over 700 outstanding color photos, historical pictures, maps and illustrations. This weekend the book is again available for purchase. The book is of the finest quality, and will make a beautiful gift.

Bishop Weigand wrote, "It is my hope that this illustrated history of the Diocese of Sacramento will instill in us deep gratitude for all the fruitfulness God has brought about through those who have gone before us and inspire us to follow faithfully in their footsteps and give steadfast witness to Christ's love, truth and mercy to all."

FOOD PROGRAM FOR SENIORS:

A kind note was sent into the parish office to tell us about a program called Senior Citizens Services, Inc., that distributes two large boxes of food each week to seniors for a \$20 monthly donation. According to a local care provider, the food is high quality (meat, vegetables, cereal) and donated by local grocers. The senior (or his/her care provider or family member) would be responsible for picking the food up weekly at the distribution center from 9 am - 11 :30 am Mon-Fri.

For more information, please contact:

Senior Citizens Services, Inc., 8175 Signal Court, Ste. M, Sacramento, CA 95824, Phone: 381-7794 (located off Power Inn Road between Lemon Hill and Elder Creek Roads)



Catholic Faith Formation

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION PHOTOS

Parents of Religious Ed Students the photos for First Holy Communion and Confirmation are ready and can be picked up at the parish office. Please call our office if you have any questions @ 726-7217. Have a safe summer and we will see you in the fall. Thank you

HOLY FAMILY LITURGY COUNCIL

NEW LECTOR SCHEDULES AVAILABLE

Lectors—New schedules for the summer are ready. Please pick up your copy in the hallway to the sacristy. Thank you!



NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS



NEXT PARISH BREAKFAST - AUGUST

There will be no Parish Breakfast on July 2 due to the 4th of July holiday. The next Parish Breakfast will be on August 6th.

Please visit the Knights of Columbus fireworks booth and make your purchases for a great 4th of July.



ASSISTED SUICIDE ALERT

The legalization of Assisted Suicide is unfortunately again being looked at by our State Legislators. The Bill, AB651, will go to the State Senate Judiciary Committee on June 5th.

"Euthanasia advocates the claim that assisted suicide would be restricted to a 'last resort' for people already on the verge of death and in unrelievable agony. These premises have already proven to be false. Most patients and their families are generally unaware that pain can be reduced or eliminated. Many people whose deaths have been hastened by euthanasia were not, in fact, terminally ill." (From a book review on Forced Exit by Wesley J. Smith.)

Margaret Sager of the Coalition of Concerned Medical Professionals, when testifying in opposition to the legalization of assisted suicide, stated that, "the notion of personal 'choice' in assisted suicide is patently absurd when treatment and adequate pain relief are actively denied."

Assisted suicide starts us on a deadly road of controlling health care costs. This issue will NOT go before the California voters – it will be decided by our legislators. Please contact your State Senator by logging on to savecalifornia.com and clicking on "Find your Legislators" or to find the names of key State Senators on this committee. We need to speak out and go against the pro-death culture of our times.

Prayer Opportunities

MONTHLY GET TOGETHER FOR BREAST CANCER PATIENTS AND SURVIVORS

On the third Thursday of each month after the 8:30 am daily Mass, there will be a get-together for all breast cancer patients and survivors in the sacristy. These gatherings will begin on June 15th.



WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA:



Pope Benedict XVI has elevated the World Apostolate of Fatima (The Blue Army.) It is now officially associated with the Pontifical Council for the Laity in Rome. We are happy to offer these prayers here at Holy Family.

All are welcome to join us Mondays after the 8:30 am Mass in St. Mary's Hall. For more information, please call Phyllis, 725-0218 or Phyllis, 725-5358.

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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Jesus stays with us day and night in the Blessed Sacrament, blessing us with the grace that encourages us, consoles us, strengthens us, guides us and inspires us to place our trust in Him. We stay with the Real Presence of Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration to be more personally involved with Him and to keep the Eucharist central in our lives.



Spending time with Jesus in the Eucharist enables us to build a truly personal relationship with Him. Come into His presence in our beautiful chapel - He is looking forward to your visit!

ALL NIGHT VIGIL FOR LIFE - JUNE 30-JULY 1

There will be an All Night Vigil for Life at St. Rose Catholic Church, Franklin Blvd, Sacramento on, June 30th beginning with 7:30 pm Mass and ending on Saturday, July 1st with 8:00 am Mass. Please join us for an hour or more or spend the night. If you have any questions, please call June at 916-967-9158.

DOMINICAN LAITY INFORMATION DAY

Are you interested in Lay Dominican spirituality? Discover the Pillars of the Dominican Order by joining us at an informational gathering on Sunday July 9, 2006 at St. Albert's Priory after the 9:30 am Mass with the friars.

Location: 6172 Chabot Rd., Oakland, CA 94618

Contact: Tom Raftery, OPL (510) 843-4751

Local contact: Phyllis Sale, OPL (916) 725-5358

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE - AND BEYOND

CATHOLIC SINGLES CRUISE TO CATALINA ISLAND AND ENSENADA, MEXICO OCTOBER 23-27, 2006

Catholic Single Adults throughout California are invited to a special 4-day FUN CRUISE to Catalina Island and Ensenada, Mexico. We will have a group for 21-40 years old and a 40+ group. We will have joint activities and individual activities aboard the ship. We will be sailing from Long Beach Monday, October 23rd and returning Friday, October 27th. Rates are starting at \$380 per person (inside cabin). Your cruise fare includes food, entertainment/dancing, as well as most activities on board. 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 21st and final payment due by August 21st. (Cancellation with full refund available until Aug 20th.) Book early for other special incentives!

SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM AT SPINELLI ELEMENTARY

Spinelli Elementary School, located at 3401 Scotland Drive in Antelope, is offering a free lunch program this summer for anyone under 18. You do not have to attend this school or even this school district to qualify for free summer lunch. Kids merely need to show up, and NO proof of residency or picture ID is required.

Parents can bring their children or older kids can show up on their own. The program will run from June 19 through July 27 (except July 3 & 4.) Lunches will be served Monday through Friday from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm.

This is a really wonderful program and there are no requirements other than the fact that the kids need to be under 18.

For more information, please call 916-338-6490.

2006 GOLF TOURNAMENT & SPORTS BANQUET

The Notre Dame Club of Sacramento is pleased to host its fourth annual Scholarship Golf Tournament on Monday, July 24, 2006 at The Calla Verdera Country Club in Lincoln. Donations of \$175+ are all inclusive of tournament valley, range practice, greens fees, cart, lunch and sports banquet and dinner. Proceeds from the tournament will be contributed to a scholarship fund to assist qualified and deserving University of Notre Dame students from the Sacramento area. For more information or to sign up, please see: www.ndsacramento.com or Call Mike Stroud at (916) 276-2560. Please sign up soon!

TAKE ME OUT TO THE BALL GAME!

Monday, July 24, 2006

The SACRAMENTO LIFE CENTER is selling tickets for this River Cats game. Come join us for a night of baseball fun while supporting the SACRAMENTO LIFE CENTER! Ticket prices are \$9.00 & \$13.00. To buy tickets or for more information, please call Sara at (916) 451-4357. Deadline for ticket purchases is July 5, 2006.

WEEKEND PROGRAM

The "Beginning Experience of Sacramento" support group is offering a special weekend program of healing, hope and encouragement for divorced, separated or widowed persons of all faiths. The weekend retreat is Friday-Sunday, September 15-17 at Our Lady of the Oaks Retreat Center near Applegate, CA. For more information or to request an application, please call (916) 835-2282 or visit our website at: www.sacramentobe.org.

DINING UNDER THE STARS

Join us for another fabulous evening of good food, good friends and lots of fun. Support our youth while dining under the stars on the Oblates of St. Joseph grounds in Loomis.

Italian Imports will be providing a feast for us, *The Tune Ups* will get your feet tapping, and J.D. Maher has graciously agreed to host our event once again. Magnificent raffle baskets, chock full of wonder and fun, will again be highlighting the evening.

All proceeds of the dinner go directly to the Mareello Youth Center in Loomis, which serves our young people and helps them grow in their faith and reflect on God's call in their lives. Please join us and help provide for the future of our Church. For questions and tickets, please call Pat Murphy at (916) 212-9451.

ENCOUNTERING LIFE ALONE

The "Beginning Experience of Sacramento" support group is offering its "Encountering Life Alone" program of healing, hope and encouragement for divorced, separated or widowed persons of all faiths. This 10 week program starts on July 20, 2006 at St Michael's Episcopal Church 2140 Mission Ave., Carmichael. The meetings are held from 7:00-9:00 P.M. There is a one-time registration fee of \$10.00 and a \$5.00 weekly fee. For more information please call (916) 835-2282 or visit our website at: www.sacramentobe.org.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

CUSTODIAN NEEDED AT THE CATHEDRAL

The Cathedral parish has an opening for a custodian to work 20 to 25 hours per week. Work on weekends is included. Duties include routine custodial work in the parish facility. Please fax your resume to Msgr. James Murphy at 443-2749 or mail to Cathedral Rectory, 1017 11th Street, Sacramento, CA 95814.

CHRISTIAN SERVICE COORDINATOR

St. Francis High School, Sacramento, is now accepting applications for the position of Christian Service Coordinator. This is a full-time, 10-month position. August 15 - June 15. Job description and application are available on the St. Francis website at www.stfrancishs.org. Send with resume to: Pat Maier, Human Resources, St. Francis High School, 5900 Elvas Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95819. Questions: 916-452-3461, ext. 290.
