



July 9, 2006 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“What mighty deeds are wrought by his hands!” Mark 6:2

† Servant Leader †

A Letter from Fr. Kiernan in Rome - Week 2

Greetings to all at Holy Family, beloved in Christ, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Here in Rome we've come to the end of our second week when we will conclude the ecumenical part of our studies. Next week we will concentrate on interreligious areas as we look at the great faiths of the world and see how we as Christians can live together with these and promote God's plan for all people.

These two weeks just finished have been a wonderful experience of studying the Christian faiths and seeing how we have come to the place we are today in the search to glorify God, through Christ, in the Holy Spirit. It is marvelous to look at the history of Christian denominations and see how they have developed over the centuries. In spite of huge differences, it is enriching to see the marvelous steps that have been taken in the last two centuries, especially since Vatican Council II, to restore all things in Christ and develop visible unity among all of Christ's believers.

We started out with a splendid presentation on Biblical Faith. How important it is to always realize that faith is a free gift from God, unearned and impossible to obtain without the grace of God, and that we are saved by God's unconditional love and not by our works, which of course are a response to the love of God first offered freely in Christ Jesus. It is from this glorious understanding of the absolute love of God for his creation that we start our Christian Journey.

We then worked on historical overviews of factions/divisions within the church - Eastern Christianity, the Reformation, the reforming of our Catholic Church, Anglicanism/Episcopalianism, Lutheranism, Pentecostalism and the many other branches of Christianity. We looked at what the ecumenical movement is, and we explored the Roman Catholic Church's promotion of Christian Unity, especially since Vatican II.

We have continued with studies of the Reformation - what led up to it politically, economically and socially. We reviewed the cry for reform existing in the church which greatly contributed to the Reformation and ways this could have been avoided or handled much better by the Catholic Church. Indeed had the Council of Trent been in place, a lot of the problems of the Reformation could have been avoided. Had not the political structure been explained and the wealth of the church at that time not been so abused, a lot could have been different. It was so interesting to learn at length on the Reformation - its causes and effects plus the Catholic response of faith and commitment. We extended our study to the many movements that arose from the reformation and many of the Christian denominations that have come into existence over the last four centuries. All of this was done in scholarship and with respect as there were members of many churches in our study program. A lot of our time was spent on Anglicanism/Episcopalianism,

Lutheranism, Orthodox churches and beliefs, Pentecostalism, Evangelicalism and the rise of the non-denominational churches.

Having reviewed the various faith communities, we then heard from Fr. John A. Radano of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity here in Vatican City. Thursday was spent in the Pontifical Office where we were greatly enlightened on what is being done worldwide in the field of ecumenism. Bishop Brian Farrell, a delightful man who is a Legionnaire of Christ, spoke to us representing Cardinal Walter Kasper, President of the Council. He spoke of the good work being done in building relationships with the Orthodox Church, with which we have so much in common. However, this is a slow process as for over 1000 years we have been separated. It will take time and patience to rebuild the relationship. He spoke also of the important dialogues with Anglican/Episcopalians, Lutherans Mennonites and Pentecostals. In general he maintained that the Catholic Church must follow the call of Christ in the Gospel of St. John, Chapter 17, "that they may all be one." We have no option as Christ calls us to do this. His presentation was excellent and I will cover it at length as time allows.

In addition to all our presentations, we spent hours visiting places of great interest and historical importance. The Colosseum and Roman Forum were amazing sights as was the excavation under St. Peter's Basilica. We spent a long time in the Vatican Museum, and the Sistine Chapel tour is unbelievable. Of course, not to be forgotten is the Wednesday Audience of the Holy Father who spoke so beautifully, continuing his teaching on the apostles, this time St. John.

And so the pilgrimage continues in the heat, humidity, great food and wine and the glorious victories and agony of defeat in the World Cup. Try sleeping in Rome on a night Italy beats Germany as cars honk all night long. Well, this is Italy and they love so passionately! They have to win on Sunday.

God bless to all at Holy Family on this July weekend. You are in my prayers at all the holy places. I depend on your prayers for me in the traffic, the cobblestones and the pace of this go-go town.

In Christ, Fr. Michael

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday: Bea Godbey +
Friday: Mary Kinsella +
Oneta Roscoe +



THANK YOU Holy Family for your prayers, cards and condolences at the loss of our beloved son Charley. Your support sustained us through a time I am not at all sure we could have otherwise survived. May GOD bless you always with love & prayers — The Kyle and Phyllis Steele Family

Stewardship

~ a way of life ~

ST. PATRICK'S HOME FOR CHILDREN

Last summer this bulletin explored the special connection Holy Family Parish has with St. Patrick's Home for Children with Fr. Kiernan as its Executive Director, and we discussed how best to nurture and develop that connection. On the weekend of July 22-23, we will take up a second collection for St. Patrick's to show our support and further develop our special bond with this vital ministry.

In over one hundred years of existence, St. Patrick's Home for Children has served the many needs of the children and families of Sacramento and the surrounding areas. St. Patrick's is dedicated to the idea that all children deserve the security, attention, and guidance that gives them hope for the future, and the care and warmth that gives them the chance to love and be loved.

Continuing St. Patrick's rich tradition of loving, compassionate service to children and families is dependent upon the generous time, talents and financial gifts of families, individuals, companies, churches, social groups and schools. The children need our love and our help, as do their families. Government funding, even before recent reductions, and the parent paid program fees cannot fully fund the services we provide to meet the needs of children and families, making private contributions more vital than ever.

THANK YOU FROM THE CLRS

The Catholic Ladies Relief Society and Holy Family Parish would like to thank Barbara Stevenson for her tremendous generosity in providing bags of food and meats for the food closet. Your Christ-like compassion is a blessing to your parish family and particularly to those in need. Any parishioner who would like to help stock the food closet and assist the CLRS in this vital ministry is invited to call the parish office for more details.

A NEW YEAR FISCAL YEAR

Our new goal for regular collections each Sunday for 2006-2007 is \$11,000 per week, beginning this month. Thank you for your continued generosity and may God continue to bless you and your families!

STEWARDSHIP – TREASURE	
GENERAL COLLECTION	
Weekly Goal	\$ 11,000.00
June 11	\$ 9,761.00
June 18	\$ 10,037.00
June 25	\$ 8,132.00
July 2	\$ 10,141.00
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 10,141.00
Goal-to-Date (1 Week)	\$ 11,000.00
% of Goal Collected	92.19 %
Annual Goal	\$ 572,000.00
CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COLLECTION	
Weekly Goal	\$ 3,750.00
June 11	\$ 2,201.00
June 18	\$ 1,201.50
June 25	\$ 500.00
July 2	\$ 2,356.00
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 2,356.00
Goal-to-Date (1 Week)	\$ 3,750.00
% of Goal Collected	62.83 %
Annual Goal	\$ 195,000.00
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
Catholic Faith Formation	\$ 2,473.50
<p><i>During this time, we celebrate the independence of our country. We would do well to echo the psalmist, saying, "Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for His mercy." May we always recognize and use wisely the gifts of freedom and abundance He has showered upon us.</i></p>	

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, Loretta Francescon, 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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Hos 2:16,17b-18,21-22; Mt 9:18-26
 Tue: St. Benedict: Hos 8:4-7,11-13; Mt 9:32-38
 Wed: Hos 10:1-3,7-8,12; Mt 10:1-7
 Thu: Hos 11:1-4,8c-9; Mt 10:7-15
 Fri: Hos 14:2-10; Mt 10:16-23 (*Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha*)
 Sat: St. Bonaventure: Is 6:1-8; Mt 10:24-33
 Sun: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Am 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13

Questions of the Week:

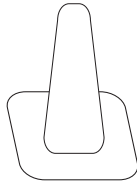
For Adults: Name a time when you placed your trust in God even though those around and near you did not believe.

For Children: A prophet is someone who is so filled with God that others can see God acting through that person. Do you know any prophets?

***** NOTICE *****

**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....



Holy Family School

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.

**H O L Y F A M I L Y
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!



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)

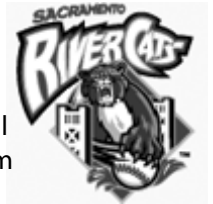
Registration Forms & Workshop Information will follow soon. For More Information, Contact John Rieschick at 733-0133 or jrieschi@diocese-sacramento.org

YOUTH MINISTRY

RIVERCATS GAME

Last call for Rivercats tickets...

We must know by Monday evening, July 10th if you would like to join us for the Rivercats game on Friday, July 14th. Call (721-8329) or email holyfamilycym@yahoo.com immediately for more information.



YOUTH MINISTRY CAR WASH

Next Sunday, July 16th Holy Family Youth Ministry will be having a car wash right here on Church grounds. What could be more convenient! Please support our parish youth (and get a cleaner car in the process!) Donations will be accepted. Please look for signs directing you where to take your car. All jr. high and high school youth are asked to help! The car wash will be held from 8am-2pm.

MARINE WORLD!

Holy Family CYM invites all jr. high and high school youth to join us for a day at Marine World on Saturday, July 29th from 7am-10pm. Cost is \$23 per person (special discounts for those who work the car wash!) Call immediately to sign up!

PARTY AT THE LAKE

Save the Date: Sat. August 26th from 3pm-9pm "Goodbye to Summer" Party at Folsom Lake.....Join us for a swimming, games, a BBQ, and mass with Fr. Kiernan lakeside at 7pm!

OPEN GYM ON A NEW NIGHT

Open gym has moved from Thursday evenings to Monday evenings for the months of July & August!

Happy Birthday!

Holy Family parishioner Theresa Shelley celebrated her **90th** birthday this weekend. Happy Birthday, Theresa, and may God continue to bless you!

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)



Health Ministry

WATER SAFETY AND YOUNG CHILDREN

Another summer issue ---one that has already claimed more than two dozen young lives in the past few weeks is ACCIDENTAL DROWNING.

The 2nd leading cause of unintentional injury related deaths among children aged 4 years and under is drowning. Each year, approximately 1,150 children 14 and under drown. More than half of these were preschoolers ages 0-4 years. In 2001, 859 children died in drowning accidents. Of these, more than 60% were under the age of 4 years. 80% of all drowning typically occurs in swimming pools and bathtubs.

While we try to be so careful and watch our children every minute, a split second of distraction or one bad decision - answering the phone, losing track of little ones during a poolside conversation, letting small children oversee a toddler in the pool or bathtub, forgetting to close a gate, neglecting to repair breaks in the fence securing a pool, etc. - and our little ones quietly, tragically, needlessly slip away.

A thorough Water Safety Fact Sheet from the Emergency Nurses Association can be found online at:

www.ena.org/ipinstitute/fact/WaterSafety.pdf

Please come by the Health Ministry Office or call me at (916) 721-0388 if you would like more information.



Catholic Faith Formation

CONFIRMATION VIDEO:

The video that was taken during Confirmation here at Holy Family is in the process of being edited. If you are interested in obtaining a copy, please call the Parish Office and leave a message for Deacon Mark indicating your interest, your name and your phone number. The cost of the video has not yet been determined but will be greatly influenced by the number of copies requested.

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

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. The full-color, 272 page, hard cover book features over 700 outstanding color photos, historical pictures, maps and illustrations. If you haven't purchased your copy, call the Parish Office at 723-2494 - there almost gone!

Prayer Opportunities



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!

BLESSED SACRAMENT CHAPEL VISITING HOURS:

Monday – Friday	9:00 am – 9:00 pm
Saturday	9:00 am – 3:30 pm
Sunday	1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Also in the chapel:

Each day at 9:00 am a community Rosary and the Chaplet of Mercy are prayed, and each day at 3:00 pm the Chaplet of Mercy is prayed.

WHAT IS THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY?

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is a traditional devotion of the Catholic Church. The intercessory prayers for mercy are in three directions: for obtaining mercy, for help in trusting his mercy, and for showing mercy to others. It is a set of prayers, most commonly prayed with the aid of rosary beads. The devotion as known today can be traced to Polish nun and canonized saint, Sister Faustyna Kowalska (Faustina), known as the "Apostle of Mercy", 1905-1938. According to St. Faustyna, Jesus Christ promised that all who recite this chaplet at the hour of death or in the presence of the dying will receive great mercy. He will stand between them and His Father not as Judge, but as Savior. Jesus also promised that anything can be obtained with this prayer if it is compatible with His will.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE - AND BEYOND

CATHOLIC PROFESSIONAL & BUSINESS BREAKFAST CLUB

Catholic Professional & Business Breakfast Club meets next on Weds, July 12 from 7:00 to 8:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, 1019 11th St, (11th and J), Sacramento. A special tour of the Cathedral will be given at 7:00 am, followed by a continental breakfast in the hall. Mass will be offered at 6:30 am. Reservations for the meeting are required. Please reserve your place by Monday, July 10th at 12:00 noon at www.cpbbc.com.

•SINGLE CATHOLIC ADULTS

A 'Meet & Mingle' gathering will be held Sunday, July 9th, 5:00 pm at Coco's, 1830 Arden Way, Sacramento. Call the Catholic Alumni Club hotline: (916) 962-6107 or visit our website at www.cacsacramento.org. The Sacramento Catholic Alumni Club is a member of Catholic Alumni Clubs International (CACI), one of more than 35 chapters across the country. The Sacramento CAC provides social, religious and community service activities for single Catholic adults.

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.

DIVINE MERCY CONFERENCE

Save this date: October 7, '06 for the Divine Mercy Conference at the Sacramento Convention Center presenting world famous speakers: Dr. Stockpole and Fr. Seraphim Mikalenko the leading expert on St. Faustina and Divine Mercy Devotion. You can help promote this event, call Cheryl 966-1830.

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

FINANCIAL SERVICES COORDINATOR.

Diocese of Sacramento announces an opening for a full-time Parish Financial Services Coordinator. This person performs financial reviews, analyzes reports and gives advice on the financial activities of parishes and schools and advice on associated record keeping and compliance requirements. Strong interpersonal skills, flexibility, works independently, a good team member, patience, a joy of teaching about financial affairs in a parish and school, a background in Catholic education, and a love of the Catholic Church are hallmarks of the successful candidate. For consideration, a BA or equivalent experience in business with preferred background in finance, accounting, or business administration. The successful candidate has strong proficiencies in QuickBooks Pro, Excel, Word, Word Perfect and at least (5) years experience in all phases of the accounting cycle and basic internal controls. Additionally, good verbal and report writing skills, and demonstrated success in planning, organizing and succeeding in projects are needed. Must use your vehicle for travel. Bilingual (English/Spanish) a plus. Complete benefit package and retirement plans are available. If you are the person described here, please forward your resume with salary requirements to jhughes@diocesessacramento.org. A complete job description is available at www.diocese-sacramento.org Open until July 14, 2006.

DEPARTMENT SECRETARY

Diocesan Vocations Department

Full-time position. Must be computer literate with good organizational skills. Spanish and English preferred.

Send or fax Resume to:

Father Brian Atienza
Diocese of Sacramento
2110 Broadway
Sacramento, CA 95818
Fax (916) 733-0238

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.
