

† Servant Leader †

**THE EASTER SEASON – THE RESURRECTION**

*The resurrection of Jesus has a personal message for all who believe, and this message is clearly spelled out for us in the letter of St. Paul to the Colossians: “Since you have been raised up in company with Christ, set your heart on what pertains to higher realms where Christ is seated at God’s right hand. Be intent on things above rather than on things of earth.... Your life is hidden now with Christ in God. When Christ our life appears, then you shall appear with Him in Glory” (3:1-3)*

*This is possible for us through Baptism which makes us sharers in the life of Christ. Our faith in the risen Jesus allows us to keep the material world in proper perspective and to place first values on the Spiritual. We all know that this is not always the easiest thing to do because we are of necessity having to deal with a multiplicity of human and material concerns here and now: food, shelter, clothing, recreational activity, work, and the things we all need to live and make life relatively pleasant. And it is proper that we devote effort to all of these good things which are gifts from God along with His spiritual gifts. We are not all called to live as hermits. God’s good world wouldn’t get very far if this were the case. But the spirit that motivated the early church and its modern counterparts can be meaningful to us as well.*

*During the Lenten season we dwelt on the meaning of and the importance of Christian self-denial and mortification. Now during the Easter season our attention and our emphases are somewhat different. Our goal is the same but we approach it differently.*

*The resurrection of Jesus was a tremendous event, a mystery that we accept in faith, and which we come to somewhat of an understanding with our faith. Our faith in Jesus, risen from the dead, is an acknowledgement that we belong to Him. It is an acknowledgement that our redemption is accomplished, and that our lives must*

*be lived in the manner that Jesus taught and exemplified. We know what kind of a person Jesus was in His earthly life. By implication, if we share His life, we must let His actions and example influence us. A great tribute is paid to Jesus by St. Peter who kind of gives us an epitaph for Jesus. Peter wrote that Jesus went about doing good works. Those good words we know from our reading of the gospels. Peter also adds a very significant statement: “and God was with Him.”*

*So we know what kind of people we should be if we profess, as we do, to be followers of Jesus. We know how we should live, but we need reminders from time to time. We must go about doing good to and for others. Our goodness must extend to all who cross our paths each day. We cannot make any exceptions. Jesus didn’t; even those he rebuked were beneficiaries of His kindness and concern.*

*This goodness and concern in all we do is our way of living now with Christ in God. And we do this by being truly human, by using all the human qualities that God has bestowed on us who are made in His image and likeness. There are so many good qualities and virtues that we are capable of showing in our everyday life, with a graciousness and naturalness that will attract others to try to discover in us what makes our lives so. If we are conscious of Jesus Christ living in us and acting through us, then we will be able to make God visible and tangible to others through us. God must become more real to others because of us. Other people must be helped to experience God and His care through us.*

*This is our way of preaching redemption and salvation. This is our way of showing the meaning that the resurrection of Jesus has for us. In living so we imitate Jesus Christ, and we reach the goal of happiness in God, imperfectly not, but to perfected in eternity. God bless you as we rejoice in this Easter Season.*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon: Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

Tue: Acts 7:51-8:1a; Jn 6:30-35

Wed: Saint Mark: 1 Pt 5:5b-14; Mk 16:15-20

Thu: Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

Fri: Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

Sat: Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

Sun: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 13:14,43-52; Rev 7:9,14b-17; Jn 10:27-30



**Questions of the Week:**

For Adults: What is one action that you can do this week to show Christ’s love to someone who is in need of that love?

For Teens: Jesus asked Peter three times to “feed my sheep.” Who are you being called to help in your life right now?

For Children: What one thing can you do this week to show Jesus your love?

# Stewardship

~ a way of life ~

## CHURCH SIGN – SOON & VERY SOON!

Unfortunately, we have encountered some slight delays in the installation of our new Parish Sign which will stand in front of the church to identify our beloved Holy Family Parish and post vital information for parishioners and passers-by. The sign will be completed very soon.

The down payment on the sign was made through the generosity of a few parishioners and additional contributions have come in. However, some of the cost still needs to be covered. Please consider making a contribution to this much-needed addition to our parish grounds. Please call the Parish Office if you can help. We are truly grateful to those who have already given and to those who will contribute to make this sign possible.

## PARISHIONERS: NEW AND NOT-SO-NEW

Are you registered at Holy Family Parish?

Has your address recently changed?

Do you use stewardship envelopes?

Would you like to know more about Planned Giving?

Visit the "Parish Life" section of your Parish Website:

[www.holyfamilych.org](http://www.holyfamilych.org)

## MASS INTENTIONS

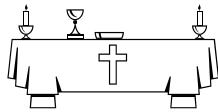
Mon: Solang Guay +; Louis Perez +  
Poor Souls in Purgatory +

Tue: Brian J. Geronimo +  
Mr. & Mrs. Sherwin Alquiza –Int.

Wed: Florante V. Bainto –Int.; Aniano Urbano –Int.  
The Deceased at Virginia Tech +

Sat: 8:30 am Mass Dora Lopez +

Sun: 7:30 am Mass Pro Populo



## HELP IDENTIFY ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL DONATION:

An American Express Gift Check was received through Holy Family Parish for the Annual Catholic Appeal 2007; however, the Diocese was unable to process it due to the gift check lacking the appropriate signature and date by its purchaser. Before this donation can be processed, we will need to secure the signature and date. If you or someone you know is the donor of a \$50 American Express Gift Check to the Annual Catholic Appeal, please contact the Parish Office at 723-2494 so we can arrange to secure the signature and date to process this donation. Thank you for your assistance.

## Mother Teresa's Maternity Home

### — WISH LIST —

- PHONE CARDS
- TOWELS - ALL SIZES • WASH CLOTHS
- BLANKETS & SHEETS FOR SINGLE BEDS
- BABY BLANKETS • PILLOWS
- DISPOSABLE DIAPERS (UP TO 1 YR) • WET WIPES
- TOILETRIES FOR MOTHER AND/OR CHILD
- CASH DONATIONS ALWAYS WELCOME

Please call the Parish Office, 723-2494 for more information or to offer assistance. Thank you!

## STEWARDSHIP – TREASURE

### GENERAL COLLECTION

<b>Weekly Goal</b>	\$ 11,000.00
Mar 25 .....	\$ 10,773.00
Apr 1 .....	\$ 14,155.00
Apr 8 .....	\$ 11,000.00 *
Apr 15 .....	\$ 10,516.00
<b>YEAR-TO-DATE</b>	\$ <b>444,619.00</b>
Goal-to-Date (42 Weeks)	\$ 462,000.00
% of Goal Collected	<b>96.24 %</b>
<b>Annual Goal</b>	\$ 572,000.00

\* The total Easter collection was \$20,043.00.

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COLLECTION

<b>Weekly Goal</b>	\$ 3,750.00
Mar 25 .....	\$ 375.00
Apr 1 .....	\$ 945.00
Apr 8 .....	\$ 13,170.00
Apr 15 .....	\$ 1,187.00
<b>YEAR-TO-DATE</b>	\$ <b>77,864.50</b>
Goal-to-Date (42 Weeks)	\$ 157,500.00
% of Goal Collected	<b>49.44 %</b>
<b>Annual Goal</b>	\$ 195,000.00

### SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

No second collection .....\$ N/A

*In today's Gospel, Jesus tells Peter again and again, "If you love Me, feed my sheep." He says the same to each of us, "If you love Me, use the gifts I have given you to serve others."*

## PRAYER CORNER

Please remember in your prayers:

Peter Alvarez, Marcel Arnal, Mary Avila, Pam Bardwil, Cody Bartley, Drake Bazzeroni, Teresa Bennett Smith, Charles Black, John Boyle, Shirley Bryant, Larry Cannon, Margaret Cioffi, Abraham Conant, Christina Cowan, Darren Crose, James Crutcher, Julie Desrochers, Maria Dixon, John Dooney, Andrew Flores, Jennifer Ford, Olivia Garcia, Bob Gokey, Evelyn Gonsalves, Winfred Gonsalves, Robert Gonzaga, Max Guerra, Charlene Gutierrez, Lutricia Hall, Kathleen Hansen, Allison Herring, Michele Hock, Glean & Kathryn Hollier, Bill Keenan, Marshall Kendrick, Randy Kennedy, Kimberly Kolodzie, Ian Larmore, Jey Lemes, Karen Lewis, Nancy Lopez, Nancy & Marty Lucas, Laura Maciej, Maria Mamauog, Maria Martinez, Earl Mattingly, Luke McCord, McElvy Family, June McMaught, Jenine Michilena, Mariah Morris, Elliott Jerome Neal, Cora Orzol, Maryanne Pelzel, Maria Perez, Gilbert Perron, Bud Phelps, Tom Poeschl, Sr. Mary Porter, Christine Regan, Raymond Remick, Nikelle Schafer, Charles Schneider, Katherine Schottgen, Diane & Mike Smith, Marylyn Smith, Lisa Stamps, Jo Ster, Laura & Paul Studer, Simon Sucharski, Clement Sweeney, D. Sweeney, Maureena Sutton, Elise Taylor, I. Thompson, Larry Thompson, X. Thompson, Jovita Vargar, Natividad Vargas, Jean Villanueva, Emily Walsh, Lori Weaver, Marvin Webster

This Weekend!  
Don't miss out...

## **WOMEN'S COUNCIL NEWS**

Our 1st Annual Variety Show is **THIS WEEKEND**, and we need your support as a parish. Our entertainers have been working hard to put on a good show, so please come to show your support for them.

If you're reading this after the Saturday Evening Mass on April 21st, come on back at 7:00 pm tonight and enjoy the show!

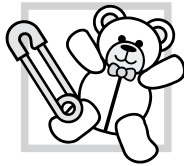
If you're reading this after the morning Masses on Sunday, April 22nd come on back at 2:00 pm and catch the encore performance!

Admission is free, but donations will be greatly accepted. All the proceeds will go to the parish. This is a parish fundraiser sponsored by the Women's Council. Baked goods are on sale at the intermission.

We hope that you will come out for this fun event. It should be a marvelous time. This event is rated G, so be sure to bring the whole family. Hope to see you there!

### **ATTENTION MOMS:**

Holy Family Mother's Ministry's 'Mom and Me' Prayer Group/ Play Group is meeting again each Tuesday morning in the RCIA room from 10 to 11 am. Come meet other moms! We pray the scriptures together while those with little children play. We meet during the school year and the summer. For more information call Jessica Lendewig at 988-4969.



## **THE ROSARY BOWL**

**May 19, 2007 • 6:00 - 9:00 P.M. • Rose Bowl, Pasadena**  
**FREE ADMISSION**

### **A WORLD AT PRAYER IS A WORLD AT PEACE A ROSARY CELEBRATION**

The Diocese of Sacramento Office of Family, Youth & Young Adults is publicizing this major event on the Domestic Church which is being sponsored by Holy Cross Family Ministries.

The special Eucharistic celebration, which will combine prayer, music, and cultural exhibitions, and will culminate in a public recitation of the Rosary with people of different cultures and languages leading the prayers.

For more information, you may contact John Rieschick at 733-0133 or jrieschi@diocese-sacramento.org or check out the Rosary Bowl Website at [www.rosarybowl.org](http://www.rosarybowl.org).

Visit our Parish Website at  
[www.holyfamilych.org](http://www.holyfamilych.org)



*Holy Family School*

**Holy Family School** students have begun the most exciting time of the year in a school community! This week, all grades will participate in the Parents' Club's final fundraiser, the annual Jog-A-Thon on Tuesday and Wednesday. This event follows the seventh grade Confirmation Retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center tomorrow, and precedes the Fine Arts Performance Assembly Thursday afternoon. This program highlights the achievements of the junior high students in their various elective classes that range from drama to conversational French. These exciting programs are but stepping stones on the way to the most important milestones of the year next weekend: First Holy Communion for the second graders at 10 a.m. on Saturday and Confirmation for the seventh graders at the 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday. The school community is most grateful to the parishioners for their ongoing support which allows the parish school to flourish.

### **Enrolling at Holy Family Preschool for Fall '07**

Are you looking for a Catholic based preschool for your child? We offer a spiritually enriched program complete with Bible stories, songs and outstanding Christian role models. Our literature-based program that meets the California standards for ages 2 through 5 years old will challenge your child. We offer preschool from 8:00am until 12:00pm and Child Care from 7:00am until 6:00pm. You are encouraged to call Lucy Eberhardt at 722-4620 with questions and/or a school tour. Register Today!

### **PRO LIFE MASS – FIRST FRIDAY, MAY 4TH**

There will be a Pro-Life Mass at Holy Family Church on Friday, May 4 at 8:30 am. Please plan on attending this very important Mass to support the sanctity of life in all its stages. The Pro-Life Rosary will be recited following the Mass in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Please join us for both celebrations. For further information, please contact Sally Fisher at 780-5305.

### **FATHER TROY'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD**

You are cordially invited to join Father Troy Powers as he celebrates the 20th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood on May 2 & 3, at two special Masses of Thanksgiving. On Wed. May 2, there will be a Mass at Presentation Church, (Norris & Robertson Avenues), at 6:00 p.m. Also, on Thurs. May 3, Fr. Troy will celebrate a Mass at St. Rose's Church, (38th Avenue & Franklin Blvd.)

A Reception will follow the Thursday Mass, at Original Pete's Restaurant, 2475 Elk Grove Blvd., (near the I-5 exit in Laguna) from 8-10 p.m. All are Welcome. Please come and join "FATHER 20", as he expresses his gratitude to all of God's People he has been privileged to serve these past 20 years.

**HOLY FAMILY CELEBRATES CONFIRMATION:**

Seventh graders from Holy Family School and Catholic Faith Formation, along with several adults, will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at the 9:00 am Mass next Sunday, April 29th, with Bishop Weigand presiding. **The Confirmation celebration may cause seating at the 9:00 am Mass to be limited, so those who regularly attend that Mass may want to consider attending an alternate Mass next weekend.**



**WELCOME**

**Holy Family Catholic Church  
Annual Barbeque & Picnic for Newcomers**

Sunday, May 27th – 1:00 to 4:00 pm  
Outside in the School Lunch Area

Hamburgers, hot dogs and beverages provided.  
Please bring your favorite pot luck dish.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

 **NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS** 

**MAY 6TH PARISH BREAKFAST**

The next Knights Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, May 6, will benefit the Music Ministry. Join us in St. Joseph Hall after the 7:30 and 9:00 am Masses for good food, good fellowship and a good cause!

**Upcoming Faith Formation Opportunities**  
throughout the Diocese of Sacramento

**MAY**

**Catechetical Documents** - With Dr. Holly Peterson. St. Joseph's, Elk Grove. May 24th, 7-9 pm. For more information call 916.685.5636.

**LAY FORMATION INSTITUTE:** Nature of Catechesis/ Catechetical Development, presented by Dr. Holly Peterson, Diocesan Pastoral Center, Sacramento, May 11th (6:30-9 pm) and May 12th (8:30 am-4:00 pm). Course will fulfill 8 hours of credit towards Basic Catechetical Certification. Cost: \$25. For information contact Kathy at 733.0139.

**LAY FORMATION INSTITUTE:** Life in Christ - the Moral Life, presented by Rev. Michael Hebda, Our Lady of Mercy, Redding. May 25th (6:30-9 pm) m May 26th (8:30 am-4:00 pm). Course will fulfill 8 hours of credit towards Basic Catechetical Certification. Cost: \$25. For information contact Kathy at 733.0139.

**NEW SUMMER EVENTS - MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**University of Sacramento: Introduction to the Catechism of the Catholic Church.** Course, June 11-August 20, Mondays, 6-9 :40 pm. For more information please call 916.443.4760.

**Focus on Initiation: CONCERNING THE BAPTIZED:** August 13-15, 2007, Christ the King Retreat Center. Contact Joan at 916.452.3908 for more information.

**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 Hall. For information, please call Phyllis, 725-0218 or Phyllis, 725-5358.

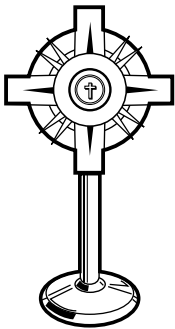


**VOCATIONS CROSS**

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 returns the cross and another family is 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 Chaplet of Mercy are prayed, and at 3:00 pm the Chaplet of Mercy is prayed.

**DOMINICAN LAITY AT HOLY FAMILY**

The Dominican Laity meets here at Holy Family on the first Sunday of every month in St. Mary Hall from 1–3 pm. Come and join us in a way of life of prayer, both private and liturgical, the study of the sacred truth, the sharing of our spiritual life with others in the community, and in our apostolic outreach. For further information call Phyllis Sale at 725-5358.



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# NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE . . .

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## **OUTDOOR PASSION PLAY - LAKE COUNTY**

An outdoor presentation of the Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The Passion Play Grounds, off Highway 29, are the setting for this annual re-enactment. More than 150 players re-enact this most touching of dramas. The Passion Play is not a spectacle. Rather, it is a prayerful expression of the faith of the people involved. May 19th and 20th, 2007, at 4:00 pm. The play is presented in its entirety on both days. The Passion Play Grounds are located at 7010 Westlake Road, Upper Lake, CA 95485 (off Highway 29, about 7 miles north of Lakeport in Lake County). Admission is free, but donations are gratefully accepted. For more information, call 707-279-0349 or 800-525-3743.



## Camp Pendola



Camp Pendola, the official summer camp of the Diocese of Sacramento, is now accepting registrations for the 2007 summer season. This year the program will take place in a variety of settings with participants hiking or paddling to different camping sites each night. Trips are scheduled for different lengths and difficulties to meet the needs of different ages (11 and older) and experiences. Whatever the program, campers are encouraged to live in, understand, and respect the wonders and beauty of the world around them. For more information and registration materials, please call 916-PEN-DOLA (736-3652).

### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

What are you doing this summer? -Making a difference in the lives of youth! The Diocese of Sacramento is looking for energetic young people (18+ years) to work this summer as trip counselors with youth between ages ten and seventeen in the great outdoors, and within the Catholic spirit! Positions begin in mid June and finish in August. Applications are available now! Please call Camp Pendola (916-PEN-DOLA) for more information and an application.

### **WORK WEEKENDS AT CAMP PENDOLA**

May 18 - 20, 2007 and May 25 - 28, 2007

Projects include:

Install shower partitions in female dorm (Tekakwitha)

Camp site clean up

Create emergency exits in cabins

Unload trailer/storage unit

Treat wood decks/porches/ramps

Remove old decking from Dining Room/kitchen

Enjoy giving to Pendola - supporting youth, and creating community! Interested? Please call 916-PEN-DOLA or 916-733-0141 by May 1 to tell us how many in your group will be joining us. Don't be shy! This is perfect for student, teen, college or family groups!

## **CATHOLIC LOBBY DAY 2007:**

On Tuesday, April 24, at 9:00 a.m., 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 the Diocesan Office of Social Service Ministry at 733-0253. The registration fee of \$5.00 includes the cost of lunch. **Your voice counts!**

## **CRISTO REY HIGH SCHOOL SACRAMENTO PRESENTS THE SECOND ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP DINNER:**

VIVA CRISTO REY -

A NIGHT OF DINNER, DANCING AND GENEROSITY!

Wednesday, May 2 - 6 P.M. - 10 P.M. - Tickets: \$75 each

St. Ignatius Loyola Parish Center, Sacramento

Featuring: "Dancing with the Czars" - a unique dance competition featuring Sacramento's finest professional dancers paired with talented business leaders and religious contestants! For Ticket Information Please Call Cristo Rey Development Office 916.733.2660 .

*Cristo Rey High School Sacramento opened in the fall of 2006 with a freshman class of 100 students. Cristo Rey is specifically designed to provide a co-educational, college preparatory education and innovative Work-Study Program to promising students with limited opportunities.*

## **GET ON THE BUS**

Get On The Bus brings children and their caregivers from throughout the State of California to visit their mothers and fathers in prison. Again this year, the Office of Social Service Ministry is organizing the annual bus trip to the women's prisons in Chowchilla for local children whose mothers are incarcerated. The visit takes place on May 11, the Friday before Mother's Day.

Part of the experience is that each child receives the gift of a new, huggable bear for the bus ride home after they have left their Moms. If you would like to donate a bear (or two) to this project, we would greatly appreciate it. They need to be new, very huggable, and age-appropriate. Children who participate in this event range in age from 2 months to 29. For more information, contact the Diocesan Social Service Ministry at 733-0253.

## **PARISH VOCATION TRAINING WORKSHOP:**

The Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations will be having a training workshop for Parish Vocation Committee Members on Thursday, May 17, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. If you are a member of the Parish Vocations Committee or you are interested in the promotion of religious vocations and would like to find out more, please join us at St. Anthony Parish, 660 Florin Rd. in Sacramento. For more information, please call 733-0259.