

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

HORAS DE OFICINA DE LA PARROQUIA

Monday/ Lunes 12:00 - 4:00 pm

Tuesday - Friday/ Martes - Viernes 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Saturday and Sunday/ Sábado y Domingo Closed

MASS SCHEDULE - HORARIO DE MISAS

Daily Mass (Mon-Sat)/ Misa Diaria (Lunes-Sábado) 8:30 am

Saturday Vigil/ Vigilia Sabatina 4:30 pm

Sunday / Domingo

7:30 am, 9:00 am, 12:30 pm, and 6:00 pm (in English)

10:30 am (en Español)

Holy Days/ Días de Fiesta 8:30 am, 6:00 pm (in English)

7:30 pm (en Español)

CONFESSIONS - CONFESIONES

Saturday/ Sábado 3:00 - 4:00 pm (in English and Spanish)

In addition to the time shown, confessions are available by appointment in English and Spanish.

Además de estos horarios, las confesiones están disponibles pidiendo cita y son en inglés o español.

MARRIAGES - MATRIMONIOS

Six months advance notice requested -
Please contact the parish office.

Avisar seis meses antes -

Por favor contacte la oficina de la parroquia.

BAPTISMS - BAUTISMOS

Please contact Rebecca Kistler (916) 726-7217

Por favor llame a Lupita Wandry (916) 489-3673

TODAY / THIS WEEKEND

PARISH PHOTO SIGN-UPS

Schedule your portrait sitting for the new Parish Family Photo Album *(See Page 4)*

MAGNIFICAT FOR JUNE IS IN STOCK

Available now in the Religious Articles Store.
First Communion items also available in English and Spanish.

THIS WEEK

DIACONATE ORDINATION - ARTHUR NAJERA

Monday, May 26, 10:30 am

Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament *(See Page 5)*

HFS GRADUATION

Holy Family School 8th Grade Graduation Mass

Thursday, May 29, 6:00 pm

NEXT WEEK AND BEYOND

PARISH BREAKFAST

Strawberries and Pancakes to benefit the Society of St. Vincent de Paul
Sunday June 1, 8:00 -11:00. *(See Page 4)*

YOUTH MINISTRY GRADUATE MASS

Honoring all graduates: 8th grade, high school, or college.
Sunday, June 1st at the 6:00 PM Mass. *(See Page 4)*

PERMANENT DIACONATE ORDINATION

June 7, 2008. 10:00 am, Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament
(See Page 7)

COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Holy Family Church,
Saturday, June 7, 2008 at the 4:30 Mass.
(See Page 4)



May 25, 2008 - Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

"I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever. . ." John 6:51

† Servant Leader †

MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

All Christian religions have an understanding and focus on the extraordinary gift of Christ to the world. We believe that this truly is the son of God; this is God present in our world. One of the things that is so dear to us as Catholics is the way we celebrate this truth. Different religions celebrate it in somewhat different ways. The way we do it is to place the experience of eating and drinking the body and blood of Christ at the very heart of our worship.

Let's look at the reading from Deuteronomy, where we find the theme is remembering. The reading urges us not to forget. Remember. Let's recall that the word "religion" means to reconnect, to reunite. One of the difficulties of living in this world is that we tend to forget. We get distracted. We are often caught up with the things at the moment that are very important and necessary at the time-but perhaps are not the most long-term issues. It's a great danger to get caught up in the immediacy of life and to miss the time we need to reflect on what this whole process is about. The Eucharist reminds us, as it calls us back and reconnects us, of a teaching that is so extraordinarily simple and powerful: There is no way that we are ever expected by God to do the work we are called to do without him being an integral part of that work. There is almost no way to describe how our partnership with God works. We have so many images of how it works. It's about the Holy Spirit dwelling within us. It's about God wanting to marry us.

We have the image of angels all around us. We have all these powerful symbols that point to the mystery of how we as human beings participate in divinity as we struggle to live out our destiny. Perhaps nothing comes across more effectively or powerfully than this practice of the Eucharist. One of the ways we can "remember" this is by experiencing something. Sometimes people just shake their heads when they hear these words about the Eucharist: "God entered into our world. The most powerful energy force there is came in, took the form of a human being, and then, before he left, he reminded us that he would like us to partake of his body and blood on a regular basis." He asked us to eat his body and drink his blood. If this concept wasn't a part of our religion, it might just be an appalling thought. That we would be asked to eat the flesh and blood of another figure who looks just like us seems strange.

This is a very dramatic, powerful way of awakening in people an understanding of a mystery that cannot be described in the way it happens. It can only be described by the effect it has on people's lives. That cause and effect is one of the ways we are told in Scripture we are to pay attention to the work of God: We cannot describe this work or literally see it, but we will know it by its effects. When a priest says the words of consecration over a piece of bread or a cup of

wine, there is nothing in what he is holding that appears any different than before he blessed it. Yet we are called to believe with all our hearts in the transformation of the bread and wine into the body and blood of Christ. Even though the accidental appearance of bread and wine appears, there is transubstantiation, a change of this substance. Obviously, this is all about faith. It is all about believing in something. It's like believing there are angels in this room right now-or believing that God exists somewhere. Those are things that cannot be described or quantified. We just have to say, "I absolutely believe it." We are invited not so much to figure out how this works, but to know that it does.

The "remembering" of the reception of the Eucharist is to know firsthand whatever happens to the body and the soul of anyone when they have this experience. We are invited to experience the simple, awesome sense of God's presence and energy in our lives. As we listen to today's readings, we say many other things about the Eucharist. The letter from Paul to the Corinthians tells us that one of the great signs of union in the body of Christ is that we are receiving and eating from the same loaf of bread. That is another way of saying that we are all infused with the same divinity. It's not a different God for each of us. It's the same God in every one of us. It's very easy for us, then, to imagine how deeply connected we are to each other.

God wants us to experience the union we receive through the gift of the Eucharist. We should always feel connected. We all have something universally the same in all of us. It's this quality of divinity. The Eucharist is the sign of our unity. We have a unity of faith and belief, an acceptance of the system we use to help us remember and be close to God. It's a celebration of our unity as Catholics.

One of the most important things for us to feel about this sacrament is to understand how God is revealing the extraordinary way that he works with you and me. God wants us to feel his partnership. If we are to feel God's energy, wisdom and strength helping us, then there must be something we are asked to do that is difficult. If we listen to the reading from Deuteronomy, we see that we are reminded of the way God set up the world. He set it up to remind us that we are hungry. Then he places us in situations where we go to things to try to satisfy our hunger. We find out that they are wanting. They don't satisfy. We try to satisfy ourselves with all the things the world offers. They do satisfy to a certain extent, but we end up telling ourselves, "There's got to be more to this than just these earthly pleasures I am filling myself up with." We can feel from this reading that God allows us to choose things that are not as rich and full as what he offers.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: St. Philip Neri: 1 Pt 1:3-9; Mk 10:
 Tue: 1 Pt 1:10-16; Mk 10:28-31
 Wed: 1 Pt 1:18-25; Mk 10:32-45
 Thu: 1 Pt 2:2-5, 9-12; Mk 10:46-52
 Fri: Solemnity of Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
 Dt 7:6-11; 1 Jn 4:7-16; Mt 11:25-30
 Sat: Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Zep 3:14-18a; Lk 1:39-56
 Sun: Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Dt 11:18, 26-28, 32; Rom 3:21-25, 28; Mt 7:21-27



QUESTION OF THE DAY

Children: How does receiving Holy Communion change how you treat those around you?
 Youth: Jesus tells us that through the Eucharist we will remain in him and he is us. How does the Eucharist keep you in relationship with Jesus?
 Adults: Share one way that the Eucharist connects us as "one body" — how does it change the way we relate to each other?

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon: Reynaldo Callego +; Gaetano Francescon +
 Tue: Jacqueline Francescon +
 Wed: Rob West +; Norman de Guzman +
 Thu: Catherine Liberatore –Int.
 Fri: Mabel Nason +
 Sat: 8:30 am Mass Arturo C. Guitarte +
 Sun: 7:30 am Mass Helen Enlow +
 9:00 am Mass Larry Shelven –Int.
 Rick Gutierrez +
 12:30 pm Mass Pro Populo



PRAYER CORNER

Please remember in your prayers:
 Virginia Batina, Richard Blanco, Elisa Bulhoes, Bernard Burke, Sandi Burton, Jordan Courtright, Marie Crane, Darren Crose, Scott Crose, Julie Desrochers, Virginia Dulley, Sean Ehnen, Henrietta Escovilla, Loretta Francescon, Gabbie Galdamez, Olivia Garcia, Ralph Gingrich, Bob Gokey, Robert Gonzaga, Timothy Goodwin, Delia Grijalva, Max Guerra, Jason Hayes, Stanley Hayes, Michele Hock, Lila Jarvis, Kathleen Johnson, Phyllis Johnson, Bill Keenan, Jonnie Kuennen, Karen Lewis, Kim Malone, Carmel Matranga, Earl Mattingly, Joan McShane, Rigoberto Mendoza, Jenine Michilena, Msgr. Mistretta, Xochitl Montano, Mariah Morris, Jason Murphy, Elliott Jerome Neal, Andy Ngo, Scott Ngo, LeeAnn Parrott, Maryanne Pelzel, Steve Phelps, Nona Piha, Jennifer Pinnow, Tom Poeschl, Sr. Mary Porter, Christine Regan, Raymond Remick, Evangeline Romero, Suzanne Rose, Josefina Santiago, Nikelle Schafer, Katherine Schottgen, Debra Scott, Diane & Mike Smith, Marylyn Smith, Lisa Stamps, Jardee Stanley, Jo Ster, Laura & Paul Studer, Simon Sucharski, Clement Sweeney, Maureena Sutton, Elise Taylor, Frances Thomas, I. Thompson, Laurence Thompson, Xavier Thompson, Evelyn Urbano, Jovita Vargar, Jean Villanueva, Mike Walker, Emily Walsh, Marvin Webster, Sharel Wilson

Stewardship
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A GENEROUS ACT OF LOVE – REMEMBERING HOLY FAMILY PARISH AND SCHOOL

I am so glad to inform parishioners that my request to remember the parish in their wills in September last year during the Annual Parish Report has received a very fine response.

Two families have come to me with paperwork on their wills donated to Holy Family Parish. I have reason to believe there are a couple more but they have not given me actual paperwork. This is very encouraging as it shows love for our parish and the desire to keep it strong in the future. I am very grateful to those who have made this decision whether they have informed me or not.

Thank you and God bless you. I hope many more will be inspired to think of Holy Family as you make your decisions in the vital matter of your will. Please call me if you have questions or if I can help in any way.

With appreciation,
 Rev. Michael F. Kiernan

SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

This weekend is the 2008 Collection for the Church in Latin America. Your gift helps fellow Catholics in Latin America and the Caribbean who are rich in spirit but lacking in material resources to participate more fully in the life of the Church. Collection proceeds are used for: training seminarians and religious men and women; providing pastoral care to the sick; providing formation training to pastoral ministers within parishes; strengthening family ministries; and developing ministries to youth and indigenous people.

STEWARDSHIP – TREASURE	
GENERAL COLLECTION	
Weekly Goal	\$ 11,000.00
Apr 27	\$ 8,745.00
May 4	\$ 12,893.00
May 11	\$ 10,997.00
May 18	\$ 9,052.00
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 497,067.00
Goal-to-Date (47 Weeks)	\$ 517,000.00
% of Goal Collected	96.14 %
Annual Goal	\$ 572,000.00
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
Disaster Relief Efforts	\$ 4,133.00
<i>The Scriptures today remind us that "we, many though we are, are one body for we all partake of the one loaf." How are we using our gifts of time and talent to build up the Body of Christ? See 1 Corinthians 10:16-17</i>	



Holy Family School

THE HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL will send the Class of 2008 off in grand style this coming Thursday, May 29. The Honors Assembly at 9:30 a.m. will begin the festivities. Parent volunteers have compiled a DVD of the highlights of the multitudinous adventures of the group during their nine years-plus at Holy Family (nineteen are "Lifers," here since preschool days...). This will open the assembly, and the presentation of scholarships and citizenship, and service awards will follow. Then, Sister Arlene will announce the names of the students who will wear the Gold and Silver Honor Cords at the evening's ceremony. At 6 p.m., the forty-two graduates will process into the church for their final Liturgy as HFS students, and the presentation of diplomas will follow the Mass. The entire school community congratulates this fine group of young adults!

PARISH FAMILY PHOTO ALBUM

Beginning on May 27, there will be photo sessions for a new Holy Family Parish Photo Family Album! Any parish family or individual parishioner that participates by sitting for a portrait shoot will receive a free full-color photo directory of the parish and a complimentary 8" x 10" print of their portrait. Additional photos and special packages will be available for purchase, as well, but there is no obligation to purchase.

Photo sittings will be scheduled well in advance - the next opportunity to schedule your time is THIS WEEKEND after all Masses. Members of a committee which has accepted the task of organizing the directory process will be outside the church after all Masses to schedule appointments from May 27th through June 11th.

Plan ahead to take advantage of a special opportunity and celebrate your parish family! If you are unable to sign up this weekend, you can register online through a link on our parish website, www.holyfamilych.org.

COMMUNAL ANOINTING OF THE SICK – JUNE 7TH

On Saturday June 7th, and on the first Saturday of each month, our parish family celebrates a communal anointing of the sick at the 4:30 pm Vigil Mass. Join us Saturday, June 7th for this blessed event.

"Beloved:

Is anyone among you suffering?

He should pray.

Is anyone in good spirits?

He should sing a song of praise.

Is anyone among you sick?

He should summon the presbyters of the Church, and they should pray over him

and anoint him with oil in the name of the Lord."

James 5:13-14

YOUTH MINISTRY

GRADUATION MASS:

Sunday, June 1st, we will be honoring all of our graduates at the 6:00 PM Mass. If you are graduating from 8th grade, high school, or college we would love to honor you at this special Mass. Graduates, please contact Victor at the Youth Office (916-721-8329) or hfyouthministry@yahoo.com to sign-up and be included in this beautiful celebration. A reception will follow the Mass in the Community Center.



NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS



STRAWBERRIES AND PANCAKES ON JUNE 1st

The Knights of Columbus breakfast next Sunday, June 1st, will be for the benefit of the Holy Family Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. All proceeds will be used to help the poor within our parish boundaries. We will have the regular delicious breakfast served by our Knights of Columbus with fresh strawberries for your pancakes served by our SVdP conference. Please join us between 8:00 am and 11:00 am next Sunday, June 1st.

WHEELCHAIRS FOR THE VETERANS

Friday May 30- 1:00pm at Mather VA Hospital in the main auditorium, the Northern California Knight of Columbus Councils and Assemblies will be honoring the Veterans Administration with 25 wheel chairs. Many K of C State Officers will be there. The Knights of Columbus Color Core will be there from many different Assemblies. Everybody is invited to attend this function. Parking is very scarce. You may want to get there early. You could look at the brick donations laid at the flagpole of brother Vets and Knights. Many people, councils, and assemblies throughout Northern California donated these wheel chairs. We wish to thank everyone who had a part in helping the Knights purchase these Wheel Chairs. For more information, contact SK John Norwood, 783-0453, SK Eldon Hancock, 723-3986, or SK James Donaker 729-5975.

NOW IN THE RELIGIOUS ARTICLES STORE

The June edition of "Magnificat" is now available in the Religious Articles store. Many First Communion items are also available in English and Spanish.

FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

The Catholic Ladies Relief Society's closet is in need of your support. A container will be placed by the Chapel entrances. We especially need: pasta, peanut butter, tuna, jelly, cereal, and mayonnaise. Please do not drop donations off at the Parish Office. Thank you in advance for your always generous support. CLRS#11

BIBLES FOR PRISONERS

Jesus calls us as Christians to minister to the need of those in prison. One of the great needs in this ministry is to make English and Spanish Bibles available for prisoners in the Sacramento County Jail. Fr. Larry Dunphy does a great job working with prisoners, and he would love to be able to give them bibles. However, this can be quite expensive. Fr. Dunphy can order the bibles and take care of all the details if he has the resources. Would anyone be open to underwrite the expense of this project? A rough estimate



of the cost involved is around \$100 per month. Can you help? Please call the Parish Office if you would like more information or you can offer your generous support.

INTERESTED IN HOSTING A VISITING STUDENT FROM JAPAN?

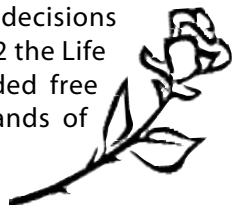
Students will be arriving in Citrus Heights on July 29 and departing August 9th. Our own St. Mary's Hall will serve as the study center for visiting students as they participate in English classes and in other local activities. Host Families receive a stipend for hosting. Provide a bed and transportation to and from the study center and provide meals. This is a wonderful and fun opportunity for host families and students alike. Please call Amor Taylor at 721-6071 or 212-7055 for more information. We are looking for 8 more host families by the end of May.

AN INVITATION TO ORDINATION

The Diocese of Sacramento cordially invites the Holy Family parish community to the Diaconate Ordination of seminarian Arthur Najera at 10:30 am on Monday, May 26 at the Cathedral. Arthur extends his heartfelt thanks and gratitude to the parish for their continued prayer and support. Arthur, then a second year seminarian, served a summer assignment at Holy Family Parish in 2005. He visited classes at Holy Family School and served several roles in the parish as part of the process of learning about parish life — sacristan, extraordinary minister, assisting our priests on the altar, and working with parish staff and the various councils and committees of the parish. Keep Arthur in your prayers and consider attending his ordination as he continues on the blessed path God has chosen for him.

THANK YOU FROM THE SACRAMENTO LIFE CENTER

Thank you to the many parishioners who purchased roses during our annual Mother's Day Rose Sale. You joined 31 other parishes and churches to help us raise more than \$25,000.00. This will enable us to continue to help pregnant women make LIFE SAVING decisions for their preborn children. Since 1972 the Life Center (www.saclife.org) has provided free and confidential services to thousands of women. Thank you again!



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 information call Phyllis Sale at 725-5358.

DEVOTION TO THE MOTHER OF GOD:

The church dedicates the month of May to Mary, the Mother of God and our spiritual mother. And in what way may we express our loving devotion to her throughout this month of May? ...By praying to her and with her, the beautiful prayer of the rosary. How this prayer pleases Mary and her Divine Son, Jesus! Please her throughout the week by joining us in reciting the rosary after the 8:30 a.m. Mass in the church. Ave Maria!



NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE...

ATTENTION PRAYERFUL SINGLE WOMEN:

The Sisters of the Divine Heart of Jesus In La Mesa, Calif. are hosting a free live in Experience vocations retreat May 30–June 1st. Pray and work with the community and hear the Informative vocational talks. These retreats are very popular so make your reservations soon. There is no cost but space is limited. If you take a bus or plane to the nearest major city they will pick you up. Call 1-800-221-1807 for more dates and info.

MARRIED COUPLES:

A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is like Springtime. It's a weekend of fresh air, the rebirth of romance and new beginnings. If you'd like to make your marriage even more special than it already is – call now! The next local Catholic Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is: June 20-22, 2008. For more information or to register, contact Raul & Gayla Ponce, 866-825-2046 or Email: srsregistrar@comcast.net.

RAISING KIDS WITH CHARACTER:

Take the "Fear Factor" out of Parenting! Excellent workshop for parents of grammar school-age children will be offered on Saturday, May 31 from 9am -11noon at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Hall sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento. Syndicated Catholic radio host, Dr. Coleen Kelly Mast of the radio program "The Doctor Is In" will lead this informative workshop for all parents. Come and get answers to questions such as: What are the four priorities of a good parent? What are some simple ideas for teaching character at home? Cost of the workshop is \$10. For more information or to register, call the diocese at (916) 733-0123.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES FESTIVAL:

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, located at 1951 North Ave. in Sacramento, is holding its annual Parish Festival on Sunday, June 1st. Events include a great variety of ethnic foods, Bingo, bounce house, games and pony rides for kids, live music, a White Elephant Sale as well as our exciting raffle, the grand prize being a 42" LCD Flat Screen TV. Second Prize is a 8GB iPod, as well as other cash prizes. Please stop by to support our little parish in the city. Festivities start with Holy Mass at 9:30 and continue to 5:30pm. Please call 916.925.5313 for more information!

ST. PETER'S SCHOOL ALUMNI

St. Peter's School, Poughkeepsie, N.Y., now in its 162nd year, is creating an alumni directory. If you would like to be included, please contact us at: St. Peter's School, 12 Father Cody Plaza, Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 - or - (845) 452-8580 ext. 267. Please include your name, maiden name, class year, occupation and address.

JOB OPENING - ST. CLARE PARISH, ROSEVILLE

St. Clare Parish has an immediate opening for a Business Manager. Reporting to the Pastor, this person will be responsible for bookkeeping, administrative processes, facilities management and clerical support. Will maintain accurate records, schedule and supervise office support staff, maintain supplies, and schedule parish calendar of activities. The candidate must be a practicing Catholic with at least five years of successful supervisory experience in a business environment. Must be proficient in QuickBooks®, Excel, and Word with experience in finance, budgeting and internal controls. Salary based on qualifications and experience. Benefit package available. Please email your resume to Rev. Liam MacCarthy at scpastor@surewest.net. Resumes must be in by June 30, 2008.

MSGR. KAVANAGH'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY

St. Rose Church is celebrating Msgr. Kavanagh's 60th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood all at St. Rose Church in South Sacramento. The Dinner will be on Sunday, June 22nd, 4:30 pm at the Dante Club, 2330 Fair Oaks Blvd., Sacramento. \$35.00 seating limited. Call Lily 438-3086.

JAZZ MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL

The annual celebration of the Jazz Mass, which coincides with the Sacramento Jazz Jubilee, will take place on Memorial Day weekend at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. Mass times are as follows: Saturday, May 24 at 5 PM & Sunday, May 25 at 11 AM and 5 PM. Bishop Quinn will preside at the Saturday Vigil, and Bishop Weigand will celebrate the 11 AM Sunday Mass. The Diocesan Jazz Jubilee Choir, which is comprised of choir members from 14 parishes around the diocese, will be accompanied by Sierra 6, a jazz combo based in the foothills. Come and make beautiful liturgy and great music a part of your holiday weekend! If you have any questions, please contact the Cathedral Office: (916)444-3070.

BUS TRIP TO CAL NEVA, RENO

The Roseville Knights of Columbus #4540 are sponsoring a Bus Trip to Cal Neva, Reno, on Sunday, June 22nd. The cost is \$28 with approximately \$15 returned at the casino. Checks should be made payable to Knights Of Columbus #4540. Please call Sue or Dave Mirtoni for reservations and details at 782-3242.

16TH SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL MARIAN CONFERENCE

July 4-6, 2007 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel Conference Center of Foster City - Theme: "Mary Queen of Apostles" Six International Speakers, Marian, Eucharistic & Charismatic Devotions, Youth & Children's Programs, Healing Service. Information and Registration call 800-456-4197 E-Mail: srm.inc@juno.com www.sraphael.com or www.straphaelministries.org

...AND BEYOND

SUMMER SPIRITUALITY SERIES

The Jesuits of the California province present: a "Summer Spirituality Series" for young adults (ages 18-40) plus all other interested guests.

18" to God: A Heart and Mind Approach to Prayer and Discernment is a three--day spiritual "summer vacation" using interactive presentations and activities that stimulate the mind and engage the affect. This three-day series will instruct you on different ways of praying, listening and discerning God's will for your life through an experience of Ignatian Spirituality that is sure to rejuvenate your mind, body, and spirit as individuals, families and as members of a parish community.

Dates: June 16 - 18, 2008 Times: 7:00-9:00 p.m. Location: St. Ignatius Loyola Parish, Campion Center, 3249 Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95825

Although this series is geared toward young adults, all are welcome to attend and participate. For more information please e-mail Radmar Jao, SJ at radmarjao@gmail.com or call (415) 422-6566.

To register please visit: www.summerspiritualityseries.com

HEALING SERVICE - SATURDAY, JUNE 14, 2008

Guest: Ester Pafford at Holy Family Catholic Church Encourage to attend 4:30PM Mass. Healing Service afterward. Blessed Mother inspired Ester Pafford with a "tear drop" of the Blessed Mother's weeping icon from St. Nicholas Church, Chicago, and with the sacramental object to bless the sick, to include those who are in need of physical, emotional, and spiritual healing in the Name of Jesus. Since that time, many special experiences and testimonies have been documented. Come and welcome our guest and receive a special Blessing. For Special Request/Contact Dolores 916.560.9037

COMMUNITY YARD SALE

St. Joseph Parish, Sacramento, is pleased to announce our upcoming Giant Community Yard Sale Saturday, June 7, 2008 8:00am - 2:00pm. Near Arden & Del Paso: 1717 El Monte Ave Sacramento, California 916-925-3584

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

The Creighton Model FertilityCare System teaches couples how to live in harmony with God's gift of fertility, rather than looking for ways to alter or interrupt the natural process. While highly effective at avoiding pregnancy, it is also used effectively to achieve pregnancy, making it a TRUE method of family planning. In addition, it can assist a trained medical consultant in the diagnosis and treatment of infertility and other gynecologic problems. Our next Introductory Session is Wednesday, June 6, 2008, 7:30 pm, at Mercy Women's Center, 650 Howe Ave. Suite 530, Sacramento, CA 95825. To register please call 916-614-2216.

CHRIST THE KING SPIRITUAL LIFE INSTITUTE PROGRAMS

- Family Fiesta June 14, 2008
- Silent Directed Retreat July 4-11, 2008 - Cost \$425
- Married Couples Retreat July 18-20, Directed by Fr. Alan Philip, CP Cost: \$265 per couple
- Family Retreat August 15-17, 2008

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER -DEACONS TO BE ORDAINED

Dennis Cronk, David Ford, Donald Galli, William Goeke, Dennis Gorsuch, James Hopp, Patrick Kearns. Lawrence Klimecki, Rick Morales, An Binh Nguyen, Thomas O'Connell, Joseph O'Donnell Anthony Pescetti, Rafael Rey, Benito Rico, Orin Rovito, and Rich Valles who will be ordained to the Order of Deacon to serve the Church in the Diocese of Sacramento on June 7, 2008.

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BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

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God allows us to experience the emptiness, and out of that experience, we move to choose that which is most valuable and richest, spiritual food. God also allows us to experience the very person that Jesus is. Jesus is a person filled with energy who then gives himself, spends himself, for others. The image of the blood is one of the things that speaks so powerfully to us about the figure of Jesus. Jesus' blood was poured out for us. The blood always seems to be tied to forgiveness of sins. The action of cleansing comes from the action of a God who is self-giving and self-sacrificing. It's his blood that is poured out for our sins that cleanses us. It's one thing to be bathed in that image of forgiveness, but it also is the most challenging of images. It encourages, even demands, that we act in the same way toward our brothers and sisters. The cup of blessing-the cup of blood-is about having a sense of being forgiven, and in turn, going out and forgiving others.

We give our brothers and sisters the same life God has given to us. On this extraordinary feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, we are called to simply awaken ourselves to this symbol system. It is the most central symbol in our Christian church. We are to drink it in, to feel its power and its invitation to change us. We enter into the memory of this event of Christ in the world, and we are invited into a place of greater awareness. As we watch our world change so dramatically, as we see people growing in their awareness of what it is we are asking from one another-the kind of integrity we need in each other's lives to live this religion we call Christianity-it's a wonderful time to reflect on the source of that insight and awareness. We can then delight in the beautiful gift of the Eucharist and enter into the wonderful process we call Christianity.