



May 10, 2009 - Fifth Sunday of Easter

"I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit." John 15:5

† Servant Leader †

UNITED IN A MESSAGE OF HOPE

The global and instant circulation of information makes us more conscious today of the suffering in the world and the many problems facing humanity.

We must look at some of them:

- *The poverty of so many people, brothers and sisters of ours, who live in misery and know nothing other than suffering and exploitation*
- *The even greater poverty of not knowing Christ that, according to Mother Teresa of Calcutta, is "the first poverty of people," and of which no corner of the earth is exempt*
- *Wars*
- *Injustice and "structures of sin" that might seem inevitable and impossible to eradicate from the complex world in which we live*
- *Aggression against life from conception to its natural death*
- *The crisis of the family, irreplaceable basic cell of a healthy and the prosperity society*
- *Cultural and moral relativism, which makes one lose the sense of the search for truth and its existence*
- *Brothers and sisters suffering from sicknesses*

- *A scientific and technological development that goes ahead, at all costs and in any direction possible, without giving thought to the problem that, instead, the ethics of human behavior must impose limits*
- *Brothers and sisters who continue to die as martyrs in many places of the world for witnessing to Christ*
- *The aggressiveness, hostility and censure reserved at times for the Pope and the Church in the proclamation of the Gospel message of truth and love*
- *The economic crisis which has hit entire States and seems to eradicate the horizon of hope of so many people*

However, in our faith, the world gives us reasons for sadness but also many reasons for joy, given the seeds of life, truth and love, often silent, that persons of good will cultivate in all corners of the planet, building the Kingdom of God.

It is indeed sad that there are persecutions, problems, sufferings and injustice, which profoundly touch our human sensibility, but it is probably also "normal". Every period of human history has had to face and overcome grave problems. We must address those of today, and what is needed at present is a great message of hope – a message in which all persons can feel united in the great battle/mission that is not that of one person against another but that of each and all against evil.

May: The Month Of Mary

Mary, foremost among the saints, has a special place in the story of salvation history. Her role in the Church flows & is inseparable from her union with her Son. Her "yes" at the annunciation consented to the Lord's Incarnation, thus collaborating with her Son's work from the beginning. • The New Testament reports that she was singled out & graced by God for the special & unique privilege of being the mother of the Savior. Not fully understanding how she-an unmarried woman-was to conceive a child, she became the perfect symbol of faith when she said yes to the invitation to bear God's Son. With her husband, Joseph, Mary raised Jesus in a loving, prayer-filled home, teaching & caring for him. • When Jesus launched his public ministry, Mary faithfully witnessed & supported him. With courage & sorrow in her heart, she stood at the foot of the cross in Jesus' dying moments. Finally, the Bible tells us that Mary was with the apostles praying in the upper room after Jesus' resurrection, expectantly awaiting the descent of the Holy Spirit. The Church teaches that Mary is the greatest Christian saint. She is the perfect model of Christian faith & love because she obeyed the Father's will, cooperated with her Son's redemptive work, & responded to the graces of the Holy Spirit

Some of Mary's Titles: The Church honors Mary with many titles such as Our Lady, Mother of God, Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Blessed Mother, Mother of the Church, Ever Virgin, Queen of Heaven and Earth. These titles reflect what the Church believes and teaches about her. As our loving Mother, Mary continues to intercede for us before her Son, our Lord Jesus. This is why the Church also prays to her under the titles Advocate, Helper, Benefactress, and Mediatrix.

MOTHER'S DAY ROSE SALE

This weekend the Sacramento Life Center is sponsoring its annual Mother's Day Rose Sale. Beautiful, long-stemmed roses, individually packaged, are available for a \$5.00 donation after all Masses.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mon: Acts 14:5-18; Jn 14:21-26
 Tue: Acts 14:19-28; Jn 14:27-31a
 Wed: Acts 15:1-6; Jn 15:1-8
 Thu: St. Matthias: Acts 1:15-17,20-26; Jn 15:9-17
 Fri: Acts 15:22-31; Jn 15:12-17
 Sat: Acts 16:1-10; Jn 15:18-21
 Sun: Sixth Sunday of Easter
 Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48; 1 Jn 4:7-10; Jn 15:9-17



QUESTION OF THE DAY

Children: How do you keep yourself connected to Jesus in your daily life?
 Youth: When do you feel most connected to Jesus in your everyday life? How can you go there more often?
 Adults: How does your own connection to Christ, the vine, affect your daily life?

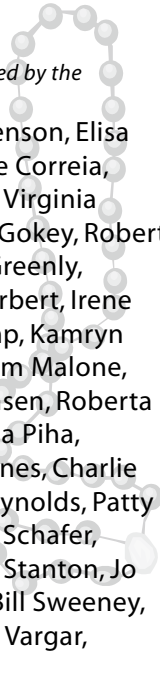
MASS INTENTIONS

Mon: Francis & Ruth Bradley –Int.
 Marquiz Devaux +
 Mariann S. MacDonald +
 Tue: Louisela Ferriere +; Carol Sharp +
 John Deroud +
 Wed: Paula Deuten +; Wilma Tharp +
 Sophie Jenkins –Int.
 Thu: Edward Lanzarin +; Simon Sucharski +
 Benjie Saldana Jr. +; Tom France –Int.
 Fri: Simon Sucharski +; Tom France –Int.
 Sat: 8:30 am Mass Alexander Villa +
 4:30 pm Mass Lourdes Chan +
 Benjamin Chan, Jr. +
 Sun: 7:30 am Mass Pro Populo
 9:00 am Mass Paul Vincent Ferlisi –Int.
 12:30 pm Mass Mary McDonald +
 Laura Isabel Cestepo +



PRAYER CORNER

Please remember in your prayers:
 (Names will appear for 2 months unless a call is received by the Parish Office to extend the time or to remove a name.)
 Kaden Alayan, Marion Amescua, Lyndon Benson, Elisa Bulhoes, Bernie Burke, Carl Campagna, Elsie Correia, Scott Crose, Claro DeAsis, Julie Desrochers, Virginia Dulley, Gazella Erickson, Olivia Garcia, Bob Gokey, Robert Gonzaga, Madeline Greenly, Sr. Margaret Greenly, Rita Gulate, Jason Hayes Family, Bunny Herbert, Irene Hertel, Michele Hock, Bill Keenan, Tina Kemp, Kamryn Mafua, Tuesse Mafua, Charlotte Maguire, Kim Malone, Luke McCord, Msgr. Mistretta, Mary Mortensen, Roberta Murphy, Loretta Parsons, Ludo Pereira, Nona Piha, Jennifer Pinnow, Tom Poeschl, Rosanna Raines, Charlie Rasher, Michael Rath, Margaret and Bob Reynolds, Patty Root, Suzanne Rose, Dick Salsberry, Nikelle Schafer, Katherine Schottgen, Jardee Stanley, Mace Stanton, Jo Ster, Connie Sturdevant, Amy Svistoonoff, Bill Sweeney, Xavier Thompson, Alexandria Torres, Jovita Vargar, Sharel Wilson, Jeri Yarchenko



Stewardship
 ~ a way of life ~

COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA

Next weekend, May 16 and 17, is the 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 support training for seminarians and religious men and women; pastoral care of the sick; formation for lay leaders; family and youth ministries; and religious education for all age groups. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/latinamerica. Please contribute generously.

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

Catholic Ladies Relief Society : Joyce Schweitzer 781-8753
Feed the Needy: Nora Martinez 721-1176
Loaves & Fishes: Karen Vidor 296-1362
Society of St. Vincent De Paul: Bill Swars 722-0264

THIS WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION:



STEWARDSHIP – TREASURE	
GENERAL COLLECTION	
Weekly Goal	\$ 11,000.00
April 12	\$ 11,000.00 *
April 19	\$ 9,236.00
April 26	\$ 8,659.00
May 3	\$ 11,243.00
YEAR-TO-DATE	\$ 454,180.00
Goal-to-Date (44 Weeks)	\$ 484,000.00
% of Goal Collected	93.84 %
Annual Goal (52 Weeks)	\$ 572,000.00
* Generally, Easter (and Christmas) collections are separate line items in the parish budget projections and thus are not included in averaging income or calculating goal-to-date percentages for the general collection; however, as Easter is one of the 52 Sundays of the fiscal year, we include the full amount of the weekly goal to keep the projections of our progress as accurate as possible. Thank you for your continued generosity.	
TOTAL EASTER COLLECTION: \$21,102.00	
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
Catholic Faith Formation	\$ 2,715.00
<i>The good steward lives the advice of St. John, loving in deed and in truth, rather than just talking about it.</i>	



HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL NEWS:

Graduation for the Class of 2009 is quickly approaching. Please pray for our students as they embark on another milestone, leaving their fond memories of Holy Family School and going off to their respective high schools. Their annual Awards Assembly will be held on Friday, May 22, at 9:30 a.m. in the Community Center and graduation Mass will be celebrated in the church at 6:00 p.m. All in the parish are invited to attend.



"STING SWING" GOLF TOURNAMENT

Are you ready to swing with us? Holy Family School and the Development Office is proud to announce we are having our 1st Annual Golf Tournament. "The Holy Family Sting Swing" Scheduled for Monday, August 24, at 11:00 am. Shot Gun Start. Golf with us at the beautiful Catta Verda Country Club located in Lincoln. We encourage everyone who loves to golf to join us! All alumni parents, grandparents and parish families are invited! We can assure you a great day of golf, reminiscing with old friends and making new ones.



We are always looking for exciting ways to raise the much needed funds to cover the cost of educating a child above what tuition covers. Interested? Please e-mail hfsdevelop@surewest.net or call 722-7788 ext. 208.

CALLING ALL CATHOLICS IN THEIR 20S & 30S!!!

Whether you are in college or the workforce; single, married, divorced, or widowed; whether you attend daily Mass or haven't been to Mass lately; whether you are involved in your ministry or looking for a place to belong...We need to hear from YOU! The West Placer Deanery of the Diocese of Sacramento cordially invites YOU to a Wine & Cheese Gathering with the opportunity for you to meet with representatives of our Church leadership eager to hear your story on Sunday, June 7, from 7:00-9:00 PM at Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Rocklin. For more information or to reserve your spot at the table, please contact Victor Alvarez at (916) 721-8329 or hfyouthministry@yahoo.com There will be a place at the table waiting for YOU!

FATHERS' DAY WITH BISHOP SOTO & THE RIVER CATS:

Bring your dad and the whole family to celebrate Fathers' Day together on Sunday, June 21st at Raley Field in Sacramento. Event features "Father to Father" Catch on the field at 11:15am, special blessing of the Dads at 11:45am and Bishop Soto throwing out the first pitch at 1:05pm. Groups are encouraged to buy a block of tickets to the event at one time so that families from your group can sit together. For tickets and information, check out the Diocese Youth Ministry website by going to www.diocese-sacramento.org and clicking on "Youth and Young Adults" or contact us at dec@diocese-sacramento.org or 733-0123.

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

Summer 2009 SESSION BEGINS in June.

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

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

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

Here at Holy Family we have a special program to help non-practicing Catholics return to the church called Catholics Returning Home. The next series begins Thursday, June 4th. We will meet on Thursdays from 7:15 to 8:45 pm for eight weeks. Please pass this information on to anyone who might be interested. For more information, please call Chris and Bill Swars at 722-5578 or Beth Fullenwider at 223-2648.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is a program of Lectionary-based discussion groups that are held during Mass at the 9:00 am. Children are dismissed during the Readings and Homily to hear the Gospel and discuss its meaning at their own level of understanding. An adult leader and adult helper manage the groups. No special training is needed. A workbook with the readings and thought provoking discussion questions is provided. We need more leaders and helpers. We will only be able to provide this ministry twice a month until we get more help. Could you lend an hour one Sunday a month to help provide this wonderful ministry to our children. Contact Pat Hoffman 916-781-2487 for more information.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FROM CHPD

The following items are in effect **immediately** and are **now being enforced**, so they merit immediate attention from Holy Family parishioners and school families:

- **No U turn at Kadota Street** (U turns are not permitted in a business zone within 200 yards of intersecting roads)
- **No parking on roadway** (Parking is not permitted on the street in front of the church and school)

Please observe these new regulations – so far only warnings have been issued but offenders **will be cited**.



Happy Mother's Day!

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

HIGH SCHOOL TEENS:

No youth ministry tonight - Happy Mothers Day!

EDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL: Join us Monday (May 11th), for "Celebratin' Some Important Ladies!" 7-8:30 PM in the Community Center.

TEEN DROP-IN: Teen Drop-In this Wednesday, stop by, do your homework, test your Rocker skills, and hang out with your friends...3-7 PM in the Youth Office...

FAITHFUL FATHER CONTEST FOR YOUTH IN GRADES 6-12:

In an effort to recognize the important role a dad can play in passing on the Catholic faith to his children, the Diocese of Sacramento Department of Youth & Young Adult Ministry is sponsoring a "Faithful Father Contest" for youth grades 6-12 in conjunction with our "Fathers Day With Bishop Soto" event at the River Cats game on Sunday, June 21st 2009. Contest winner will receive 4 Tickets to the Father's Day event and special recognition on the scoreboard during the game. Contestants can enter the contest by sending an email to kstaszkow@diocese-sacramento.org with "faithful father contest" in the subject line. Email should include name, contact information, age, grade, school and parish and describe in 50 words or less how your father has been an example to you of how to live as a good Catholic Christian. The contest is open to youth grades 6-12 only. Entries are due by Friday, June 5th. Entrant must be a registered parishioner of a Catholic Parish in the Diocese of Sacramento to win. For more info, visit our website by going to www.diocese-sacramento.org and clicking on "Youth and Young Adults" or contact us at dec@diocese-sacramento.org or 916-733-0123.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES!!! Are You Graduating from 8th Grade? High School? College? If You are, we cordially invite You to take part in the BACCALAUREATE MASS on Sunday, May 31, 2009 at 6:00 PM! Following the Mass will be a Frosh Welcome BBQ; a chance for the High School Youth Ministry to welcome all incoming Freshmen to High School Youth Ministry. Please contact Victor Alvarez to SECURE Your spot at the Baccalaureate Mass (916-721-8329; hfyouthministry@yahoo.com).

YOUNG ADULTS: This Thursday, May 14th: Faith Sharing Summer Planning. Starting in June, Young Adult Ministry will be moving to Sunday evenings and tackling Faith Development and Spirituality for those in their 20s & 30s... More details available on our blog: www.holyfamilyyam.blogspot.com

Prayer Opportunities

WORLD APOSTOLATE OF FATIMA:

Pope Benedict XVI has elevated the World Apostolate of Fatima (The Blue Army), 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 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 at Holy Family on the first Saturday of each month in St. Mary Hall, 12:30–3:00 pm. Come 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, 725-5358.

"Love to pray. Feel often during the day the need for prayer, and take trouble to pray. Prayer enlarges the heart until it is capable of containing God's gift of Himself. Ask and seek and your heart will grow big enough to receive Him"

Mother Theresa



NEWS FROM THE KNIGHTS



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #4964

Become a Knight and you'll have more to be thankful for:

FAITH - As Knights, our faith is our foundation;
 COMMUNITY- As committed as we are to the Catholic church, so are we committed to our communities;
 FAMILY- Serving our families is not only part of what we do, it's part of who we are;
 YOUTH- The importance of helping today's youth become tomorrow's leaders is also a huge focus of the Order;
 FELLOWSHIP -To be a Knight means to believe in each other as we believe in ourselves, realizing that by creating social and supportive local councils, we help create a stronger Order worldwide.
 If you are interested in serving both Church and Community, consider becoming a Knight. We promise you'll be thankful you did. Call Bob 729-3334, Mike 784-7581, Con 723-2355 or Paul 721-9752

ELECTION DAY – MAY 19TH

To all members of Knights of Columbus Council 4964: Elections will be held at our meeting on Tuesday May 19th at 8:00pm. Any 3rd degree brother in good standing may run for office. Additional nominations may be made at the election meeting. The following Brothers have been nominated for 2009-10 offices by the nominating committee:

Grand Knight Chris Ornelas
 Deputy Grand Knight - Paul Sanz
 Chancellor - Gene Wilderman
 Warden- Rick Martinez
 Inside Guard Eric Westmark
 Outside Guard Dave Hryniewicki
 Treasurer- Steve Nolan
 Recording Secretary - Bob Desrochers
 Advocate- Terry Malone
 1st year Trustee - Condit Parsons
 2nd Year Trustee - Dennis Taverna
 3rd Year - Ed Clark

HEALING SERVICE - ROSE PETAL IMAGES

All are invited to experience a wonderful evening of grace, the story of the Rose Petal Images, and a healing service with our guest Carmelo Cortez on Saturday, June 20, at the 4:30 PM Mass. Please bring fresh white roses to be placed on the altar. These roses are offered to the Mother of the Eucharist and Grace. Rose petals are taken from fresh rose flowers brought by the faithful and distributed to the faithful during the healing service. It is on these distributed rose petals that religious images appear. Although not all rose petals may bear religious images, many people have reported being healed of various ailments. Come early! Please bring your rosary. Major neighborhood stores have been notified for "white roses" availability. Flyers are available in the church. For more information, please call Dolores at 910-9638.

Interfaith Service Bureau Presents:

2009 Honors Banquet

"The Power of One" - Meeting Human Need, Raising Hope

Dinner / Auction / Program

Thursday, May 28th, 5:30 - 8:30 pm
 Westminster Presbyterian Church
 1300 N Street, Sacramento

Keynote Speaker: Heather Fargo

Special Invited Guest: Representative Doris Matsui

Music By: Spiritual Life Center / Mary Youngblood

Honorees: **Father Michael Kiernan**

Assemblyman Roger Niello

Native American Musician Mary Youngblood

RCCTV Program Director Kenneth Jackson

Elder Richard Montgomery

The Jewish & Muslim Communities

ISB Executive Director Dexter McNamara

A Remembrance of Rev. Wadhawa Singh Gill of the Sikh Community

Tickets: \$100

Table Sponsorship \$1,000 / Event Underwriting \$ 1,500

We would like to organize a group of parishioners to attend this special event. Please call Deacon Mark in the Parish Office for more information - 723-2494, extension 305.

DEVOTION TO MARY:

The Catholic Church dedicates the month of May to Mary, the mother of god, mother of the church and our spiritual mother. One the greatest ways to express our devotion is to pray the rosary. It is a powerful prayer for your petitions, for peace, conversion, salvation and guidance. Please join us during the month of May after the 8:30 morning mass, Monday through Saturday in the chapel. Hope to see you there!

ROSARY ON SUNDAYS IN MAY

In addition to our weekday devotion to Mary, we will pray the rosary prior to the 12:30 pm Mass each Sunday during the month of May. Please join us for this opportunity to express our love and gratitude to the Blessed Mother who is the very model of faith, love and devotion!

THE CLRS IS HEADED TO SOUTH LAKE TAHOE MAY 26

Come join us for fun and games. The bus will leave Tuesday morning at 7:30am to Harvey's. Please be at the church parking lot by 7:15 am as we want to leave on time. The cost is \$25.00 and we will get \$10 back in cash and \$5 in food coupons. To make reservations, call Roz Shafer at 338-4626 or June Bechler at 771-3494 no later than May 16. We hope you join in the fun.

BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS!

We are happy to report that Sunday's blood drive was the most successful in the history of Holy Family; 35 pints of life-saving blood were donated! We offer a sincere "thank you" to those who donated, plus two individuals who wanted to but were temporarily deferred. Our next drive is on August 2nd.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE AND BEYOND

Please join us for a free screening of

AT THE DEATH HOUSE DOOR

Monday, May 11 - 6:30pm

Newman Catholic Center

5900 Newman Ct., Sacramento, CA 95819

Coffee & cookies provided! • Free parking available!

Fr. Michael F. Kiernan will attend and be part of a Q & A afterwards regarding the church's teaching on the death penalty.

At the Death House Door is a personal intimate look at the death penalty in the state of Texas through the eyes of Pastor Carroll Pickett, who served 15 years as the death house chaplain and accompanied 95 men to their executions.

*"An impassioned portrait of a quest for truth." -
Chicago Tribune*

Sponsored by CSUS Newman Center
JustFaith and Death Penalty Focus.

For more info, visit: www.deathpenalty.org
or <http://www.usccb.org/deathpenalty/>

SEEKING ADMINISTRATOR/DIRECTOR

The Diocese of Sacramento has an immediate opening for Administrator for the Department of Evangelization & Catechesis / Director of Marriage & Family Life. As the DEC Administrator, the successful candidate will provide supervision of all programs, budgets and staff for the department. As the Director of Marriage & Family Life, the individual will oversee all aspects of marriage and family life ministries for the diocese. Please send cover letter & resume to personnel@diocese-sacramento.org by June 1, 2009. To view the job description, please visit our Web site at www.diocese-sacramento.org under Employment

PURE FASHION SHOW 2009

Join us for a Spirit-filled afternoon of fashion, food, and fun for the whole family! The Pure Fashion Show features Sacramento's teen models from all around the Diocese. They will show how women today can start a new trend in modern yet modest fashions. This promises to be an unforgettable afternoon with show co-hosted by Miss America 2001, Angela Baraquio and Fox 40 Meteorologist, JD Maher. Music by Catholic youth singer/songwriter Marie Miller. Special guest Victoria Emmons, 20-year old star of the new pro-life DVD "Come What May." Mark your calendar for May 31st, 1:00 p.m. at The University Union Ballroom, California State University Sacramento, 6000 J Street, Sacramento, CA. You won't want to miss this faith and family celebration of style and virtue! Tickets are now available at www.purefashionsacramento.org. Questions? Contact info@purefashionsacramento.org or 530-554-9458. See you there!

HEALING AFTER ABORTION RETREAT JUNE 12 - 14

Struggling after an abortion? Still seeking peace years after the choice? Come to a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, June 12-14 in Auburn, sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento. The weekend retreat is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. There are many exercises to help you grieve your loss and an opportunity to understand and release the deep feelings of anger, shame, guilt and grief that frequently accompany an abortion experience. This process is extremely helpful for those who struggle with forgiving themselves or others. Open to women, men, couples and family members touched by abortion. The cost is \$175. Financial assistance is available. For a registration packet or more information, call Debbie @ 733-0161 or send email to projectrachel@diocese-sacramento.org. Inquiries and participation are strictly confidential.

PARENT INFORMATION MEETING FOR CAMP PENDOLA

If you are interested in learning more about Camp Pendola before you sign up, OR you have already registered your child for camp but would like more information, THIS IS YOUR CHANCE!!! You are invited to a Special Meeting for New Parents on April 29 at the Pastoral Center, 2110 Broadway, Sacramento at 6:30 p.m. Parents of returning campers are also welcome. If you have questions about this event, please call Kim at 733-0127.

2ND ANNUAL SENIOR HEALTH FAIR

You are invited to attend the 2nd annual Senior Health Fair on Saturday, May 16, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm at the Fountain Square Rose Garden, 6237 Fountain Square Drive, Citrus Heights. There will be 75 exhibits dedicated to senior issues and concerns including presentations & demos, screenings, exhibit give-aways, musical entertainment and door prizes - free ... free ... free ... free! For more information, please call Dr. Jayna Karpinski-Costa at 722-8647.

SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY PROGRAM

Law Enforcement Chaplaincy Sacramento has recently launched a "school chaplain" program in partnership with local school districts. Through this program, trained volunteers will be available to students on school campuses. To learn more about this new ministry, contact our training coordinator Angela Kellogg at lectraining@sbcglobal.net or at 916-857-1801.

"REFRESH YOUR SPIRIT. Promises for a Joyful Soul" is the topic of a new women's workshop hosted by Zori Friedrich and Michele Kinaan at Christ the King Retreat Center, La Casa Room on May 30th from 9 a.m. to Noon. All women in the community are invited to participate in this interactive workshop to explore ways to reconnect with the Lord's direct source of joy. Cost: \$25. For a flyer or to register, contact Zori at 635-7791.
