



May 17, 2009 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

*“Jesus said to his disciples: This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.” John 15:12*

## † Servant Leader †

### IMAGINATION

*In today’s Gospel, Jesus speaks of commandments: “As the Father loves me, so I also love you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy may be complete. This is my commandment: love one another as I love you.” (John 15:9-12)*

*Keeping the Father’s commandments and living this new commandment of Jesus require tremendous courage, faith and strength and, perhaps, a little imagination... Imagination?*

*Orthodox Judaism recognizes 613 commandments. The Church’s Code of Law lists 1752. Both Jews and Christians agree, however, that they can all be reduced to two. We are to love God with all of heart, mind, being and strength, and we are to love one another. Contemporary writers have begun to explain the role that our imaginations play in obeying the two great Commandments (Timothy O’Connell, *Making Disciples*).*

*Imagination is not only a way of recasting experience. It is itself a powerful source of experience. We need only think of the books, movies, plays and music that made us laugh or cry or changed the way we looked at ourselves or the world. Clearly the imagination can have a powerful impact on our moral and spiritual lives. Jesus was aware of this.*

*He spoke imaginatively of the Kingdom of God, comparing the Kingdom to a net thrown into the sea, a treasure buried in a field, a pearl of great price, a woman scouring the house for a lost coin.*

*He spoke of birds and foxes and wolves and sheep, of lilies and grape vines and wheat fields. He used water for baptism and bread and wine for the Eucharist. Jesus was also a storyteller. His parables of the prodigal son, the Good Samaritan, the crooked manager, and the crazy farmer evangelized both the minds and the imaginations of his listeners.*

*The Catholic Church shares this reverence for the imagination. It gives us candles, incense, flowers, statues, stations and stained glass windows. All creation, it believes, is sacramental, speaking of, pointing to God. And so the church rejoices in creation and celebrates it.*

*Laughter is a special gift of the imagination, capable of giving us an unusual glimpse into the life of God. Meister Eckhardt, 16th century master of the spiritual life, put it this way: “The Father laughs at the Son. The Son laughs back at the Father. The laughter gives pleasure, the pleasure gives joy, the joy gives love and that love is the Holy Spirit.”*

*As we approach a number of great events in the life of the church, including Pentecost, we will come to an even greater appreciation of that love which is the Holy Spirit!*

#### FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

MAY 24



Celebrating the Ascension of Christ into heaven:

“So then the Lord Jesus, after he spoke to them, was taken up into heaven and took his seat at the right hand of God.”

Mark 16:19

#### PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 31



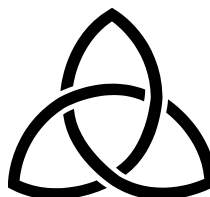
Celebrating the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles:

“And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the holy Spirit.”

John 20:22

#### THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

JUNE 7



Celebrating to honor the Most Holy Trinity:

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”

Matthew 28:19

#### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

JUNE 14



Commemorating the Institution of the Holy Eucharist:

“While they were eating, he took bread, “Take it; this is my body.’ Then he took a cup, “This is my blood of the covenant.”

from Mark 14:22-24

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Mon: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26-16:4  
 Tue: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5-11  
 Wed: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1; Jn 16:12-15  
 Thu: Acts 1:1-11; Mk 16:15-20  
 Fri: Acts 18:9-18; Jn 16:20-23  
 Sat: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28  
 Sun: Seventh Sunday of Easter  
 Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19



**QUESTION OF THE DAY**

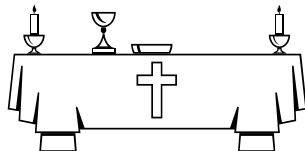
**Children:** In what ways do you experience God's love, offered to you through family, friends, and teachers?

**Youth:** Who is most in need of your love and kindness right now? How can you be more loving to those most in need this week?

**Adults:** Concretely, how do you show love to others?

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Mon: Gina Michelutti +  
 Paula Dewler +  
 Tue: Elizabeth DePalmo +  
 Ben DePalmo -Int.  
 Richard McNally +  
 Wed: Mary Weeks +  
 Emily Sucharski +  
 Fri: James W. Johnston +  
 Sat: 8:30 am Mass Gregory Braegelmann +  
 James W. Johnston +  
 4:30 pm Mass Mike Oberg +  
 Sun: 7:30 am Mass James W. Johnston +  
 9:00 am Mass Pro Populo



**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, Tuese 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**

This 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](http://www.usccb.org/latinamerica). Please contribute generously.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BOTTLES FOR THOSE IN NEED**

At the beginning of the Lenten season the members of the Holy Family Conference of St. Vincent de Paul distributed empty water bottles to the children in our Catholic Faith Formation (CFF) classes and to children and adults in RCIC and RCIA classes. Both the English and Spanish speaking classes were offered the opportunity to fill the bottles with coins and dollars to help those in need in our parish while practicing their Lenten sacrifices. The children and adults returned the bottles after Easter. The results of their sacrificial giving are truly inspiring. They contributed a total of \$1536.96! May God continue to bless you all as you grow in your faith.

**CAN YOU HELP?**

- 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

**STEWARDSHIP – TREASURE**

**GENERAL COLLECTION**

<b>Weekly Goal</b>	\$ 11,000.00
April 19 .....	\$ 9,236.00
April 26 .....	\$ 8,659.00
May 3 .....	\$ 11,243.00
May 10 .....	\$ 10,187.00
<b>YEAR-TO-DATE</b>	\$ <b>464,367.00</b>
Goal-to-Date (45 Weeks)	\$ 495,000.00
% of Goal Collected	<b>93.81 %</b>
<b>Annual Goal (52 Weeks)</b>	\$ 572,000.00

**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

Legacy Restoration Appeal ..... \$ TBD

*Jesus' commandment is that His disciples love one another, even to the point of laying down their lives, if necessary. What gifts of myself – my skills and talents, my time and resources – will best demonstrate my love for God's people.*



**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.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS:** Please join us for this very special Mass: Sunday, June 7th, 2009 @ 9:00 am will be a very special Holy Family School Mass as we will be announcing our new Principal Mr. Chuck Suarez. Immediately following Mass will be a pancake breakfast in St. Joseph Hall. More information to follow....

**CONGRATS, JV TRACK & FIELD TEAM**

Congratulations Holy Family Hornets Track & Field Team on bringing home the 3rd place trophy out of 27 schools in the JV Championship meet. Special congratulations to our 6th grader, Martino Falls, for being awarded the Boy's MVP of the Championship Meet!!! Great job Hornets!

**"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 Verdera 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.

**NEXT SUNDAY - FEAST OF THE ASCENSION**

Regular Weekend Mass Schedule

In one of his sermons, Pope Leo the Great reminded his hearers that Christ's ascension and glorification is the pledge of what we too shall be someday and a vision of what we already are: welcomed into heaven's glory in company with Christ. At his ascension, Jesus left our human space and time but not our human experience, for while he now reigns with God the Father and the Holy Spirit in heaven, he also lives and works with us here on earth. The Ascension is not simply the celebration of a past historical event; it is also a celebration of our risen life with Christ, now and in the future.

**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!

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ALTAR SERVER?**

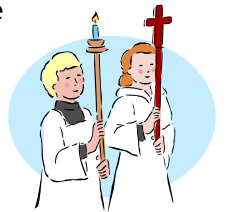
All students in the 4th – 8th grades are welcome to become an Altar Server.

Please join us for a new training session.

When: Monday, June 8th

Time: 7pm – 8pm

Where: Holy Family Church



**WOMEN'S EVENING OF REFLECTION**

We invite you to participate in our

— **Evening of Reflection** —

Monday, May 18, 2009

Here at Holy Family Catholic Church

Our evening begins at 6:00 with refreshments, followed by directed meditation, Mass, and time for personal reflection in the presence of Our Lord in the Eucharist. Confessions also available.

Sponsored by the women of the

**Regnum Christi Movement**

**GET THE WORD!**

Copies of *Magnificat* for May are still available in the Religious Articles Store. *Magnificat* can be used to follow the daily Mass and can also be read at home for personal or family prayer. This monthly liturgical prayer book provides a fitting way to enter fully into the Church's liturgical rhythms and spiritual legacy.

**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](http://www.diocese-sacramento.org) and clicking on "Youth and Young Adults" or contact us at [dec@diocese-sacramento.org](mailto:dec@diocese-sacramento.org) or 733-0123.

# YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

## **HIGH SCHOOL TEENS:**

Tonight find out about our Jewish roots as we go from Moses to Mass... 7-8:30 PM in the Community Center. Please Note: We will NOT be meeting next Sunday (May 24th), but will end the 2008-09 School Year with a Senior Honoring & Frosh Welcome BBQ on Sunday, May 31st.

## **EDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL:**

Join us Monday (May 18th), for our Last EDGE Night of the 2008-09 School Year! It will be a FUN End of the Year Party!!! 7-8:30 PM in the Community Center.

## **TEEN DROP-IN:**

Teens join us this Wednesday for the LAST Drop-In of the School Year! Wednesday Teen Drop-In will be on break starting on May 27th. So 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 [kstaszko@diocese-sacramento.org](mailto:kstaszko@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. 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](http://www.diocese-sacramento.org) and clicking on "Youth and Young Adults" or contact us at [dec@diocese-sacramento.org](mailto: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](mailto:hfyouthministry@yahoo.com)).

**YOUNG ADULTS:** Young Adult Ministry is breaking 'til June, when we will be moving to Sunday evenings for Faith Development and Spirituality for those in their 20s & 30s...More details available on our blog: [www.holyfamilyyam.blogspot.com](http://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.

## **EUCHARISTIC 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.

### **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**.

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.

### **MOTHERS DAY ROSE SALE A SUCCESS - THANK YOU!**

Holy Family parish again came through and supported the sale of roses on Mothers' Day. The Sacramento Life Center greatly appreciated the \$1,780 that was raised. We wish to thank those that bought roses, those who made extra contributions, and those who took part in making this a success!

### **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.

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## **NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE AND BEYOND**

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### **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. Inquiries and participation are strictly confidential.

**"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.

### **CHRISTIAN BROTHERS SUMMER SCHOOL COURSES**

Christian Brothers High School is expanding its summer school program to include a variety of arts camps and sports camps for students entering sixth through ninth grade in the fall. A new addition is the fun and educational Jump Start program for students in sixth through eighth grade. Jump Start I focuses on introducing students to the arts and Spanish, as well as helping them develop and hone their study skills. Jump Start II focuses on the cultures, foods, art and languages of France and Germany. High school, remedial high school, and high school preparatory courses are also offered. For more information, visit CB's website at [www.cbhs-sacramento.org](http://www.cbhs-sacramento.org) or call Janis Hoffart at 733-3625.

### **VIVALDI GLORIA PLUS JUNIOR ACADEMY DEBUT:**

The Academy at All Hallows presents VIVALDI's Gloria, RESPIGHI's Three Boticelli Pictures and BARBER's Knoxville: Summer of 1915, performed by the Orchestra and Chorus of the Academy at All Hallows. As prelude to the performance, the Junior Academy at All Hallows will make its performance debut. The Junior Academy is composed of 28 students of the Parish School of John Paul II, trained in cello and violin under the direction of Maria Berenice-Hoyos, renowned cellist and music faculty member at All Hallows Parish and John Paul II School. Please join us in this special debut! The Concert is Saturday, May 30 at 8 pm at All Hallows Church, 5500 14th Ave in Sacramento. Tickets: \$15-50. Available on [ticketweb.com](http://ticketweb.com), or by calling 600-7716.

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