

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary
Time
July 15, 2007

Who is my neighbor?



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Question of the Week

"How do we strengthen our faith
through daily love toward our
neighbors?"

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parish.

Monday, 7/16/07

8:00 am

Bret Beresford (L) Beresford Family

Tuesday, 7/17/07

8:00 am

Mary Collins (D) Carol Wright

Wednesday, 7/18/07

6:30 am

Alfred Rodenwald (D) Yvonne Von Brauchitsch

8:00 am

Betty Simpson (D) John Simpson

Fr. Tony Gurnell (D)

Thursday, 7/19/07

8:00 am

Joan Zelnik (D) David Zelnik

Ed Lorenzini (D) Fran Lorenzini

Friday, 7/20/07

Saturday, 7/21/07

5:30 pm

Ray Falkenstein (D) Family

Bob Moessinger (D) Geri

Moessinger

Sunday, 7/22/07

8:00 am

Norbert Stefens (D) Wally Dondero

10:30am

Theresa Cabrera, Ryan & Hlayna Brooks, spec Int. by Grandma Bertha

4:30 pm

Ida Jewal Honthaas (D) Karren &

Jack Kocunik

**HEAR YE HEAR YE HEAR YE
VACTATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Have you turned in your application for Vacation Bible School? Don't miss out on this fun filled week for your child. Applications **must be turned in by July 18th**. Call Donna Mauro at 973-0753. For more information go to our web page at

Our Parish is forming a Vocations Committee. If your are interested in encouraging vocations to the priesthood or religious life through prayer, reflection, and conversation with others please join us. Contact Bob and Donna Murta at (916-488-2197)

**The Self Made
Sometimes the trouble with self-made people is that they worship the creator.
Anonymous**

RCIA

WANTED: All adults interested in becoming a catholic, or those who have been baptized and would like to become a full member of our church. Please call 481-7441 or check the parish web site for more information

Prayer and Life Workshop. This is an opportunity for you to improve your prayer live. In this 15 week workshop you will learn different methods of praying, from basic prayer to contemplative. In the process you will acquire traits of serenity, love, patience, forgiveness and humility. The Workshop will be held on Tuesday **morning** starting July 24, 9:15-11:15 am at St. Clare Catholic Church, 1950 Junction Blvd. (off Baseline), in Roseville. An evening workshop will be held Wednesday **evenings**, starting August 1, 7-9pm at Holy Family Catholic Church, 7817 Old Auburn Road, Citrus Heights. Please call Irene Cervantes, 972-8585 for information and to reserve a place.

By Way of the Baltic.....

As ever, my visit with Fr. Ben to Ireland last week was a blast. Good friends, good times, good fellowship, made for a fast but fun visit to Dublin, Kilkenny, Tipperary, Donegal and Derry. From Ireland we have journeyed to Copenhagen, where we began a Baltic Euro-rail tour of Denmark, Sweden, and Germany. This week we are enjoying the surroundings of Copenhagen, Stockholm, and Berlin, seeing so many magnificent sites and witnessing the Lutheran influence so prevalent in Scandinavia and Deutschland.. I have been praying for you daily and know that the power of your prayers continue to sustain and strengthen me. Here's hoping July is treating you splendidly**See you soon, Fr. Troy**

School News

**ATTENTION ALL
SCHOOL PARENTS**

There will be a meeting with the school parents and our new principal, Mr. Charles Suarez, on Wednesday July 25th at 7:00 pm in the school cafeteria. Bring your questions and concerns. Hope to see you all there.

Pre-School at Presentation Parish

If you are looking for a Pre-school for your child because of your busy schedule, you have an opportunity at our Parish. So hurry and apply at 3100 Norris Ave. Sacramento, CA 95821. For more information call, 482-0351, 481-7441. Visit our web page at www.presentationparish.org. Likewise, we still have openings in grades k-8. Come and visit our school and see what we are all about.

8th GRADE CAR WASH

Help support our 8th grade class! **This Sunday, July 15th, 7:30-12:30.** Have your car washed while you attend Mass. Not only will your soul be clean, but so will your car.

Don't forget, we are saying the Rosary on Tuesday during the summer months, at 7:15 pm. Come join us either in the chapel or out by the statue of Our Lady of Lourdes

"Wheels of Love"

Do you know someone who has been deprived of their ability to walk due to illness or disease? Wheels of Love helps Seniors who live with respiratory disorders, arthritis, cardiovascular disease, have a mobility limitation and difficulty in propelling a standard wheelchair, to receive a powerchair or scooter paid for by Medicare. For more info, call 1-866-631-3208.

Weekly Offering

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Thank you very much

Let's Talk "Heart to Heart"

This year in March I announced Father Tony Gurnells' arrival to our parish as a resident. At that time his cancer had progressed and the Doctor had given only a short time to live. Father did not want to be alone. Travel to his native home, in Ireland, would jeopardize his health. He didn't have to look around for his friends for long. He had life time friends in and around our parish, where he ministered, under Msgr. Higgins leadership many years ago. So, he wanted to be back at Presentation. After a few days he was settled in. Being very active all of his life he didn't know how to slow down. Unfortunately, he fell off the porch and broke his arm. With additional pain he had to prepare himself for a time of suffering and patience. Ms Barbara Fay, the secretary, tried to convince him to find joy in this stage of his life telling him: "Father, maybe this is the time for you to slow down and smell the roses?" Father Tony started smelling the roses. In June he became weaker and weaker. He then was confined to his bed for most of the day, and was put on 24 hours per day care. He knew I would be going to Poland for my vacation, I didn't have a lot of hope to see him alive when I returned. So, we prayed and said our good-byes. He asked me many times to pray for him. I believe, Father Tony asked all visitors to pray for him. Our cooks, Sally and Margaret, our parish staff, all of us were asked by him for prayers. He was anointed a few times by different priests and received Holy Communion. When I was in Poland I was told that he was the same and that he was waiting for my return. I was back home on June 30, and I could bring him Holy Communion and a brief overlook of my trip. The next week, on Thursday July 5th, Father Gurnell gave his spirit to Our Lord peacefully at 7:20 am in the morning. This last Thursday we attended his funeral Mass celebrated by Bishop Richard Garcia and concelebrated by many priests. The Mass took place in St. Philomene's Church, a wish of Fr. Tony. More than half of the church was filled up by parishioners of Presentation Parish. One of the very moving moments was a favorite poem of Fr. Tony recorded by him (with the help of our own Robert Mathews) before he died and played after the homily. Thank you Robert. The homilist, Father Gerald Ryle, Pastor of St. Philomene, told us that this CD was a special wish of Father Tony to be played at his funeral. Father Tony also asked, "May you dim the lights in the church during this performance? It wouldn't be inappropriate to the Liturgy, would it?"

Give Him O Lord, eternal repose in Your Divine Happiness in Heaven.

God Bless, Father Andrew

From Last week "Heart to Heart" I appealed for help with power lines in the school for computers. Mr. John Altieri called to volunteer his time. Thank you Mr. Altieri for your willingness to help. We are still putting this together, so if anyone else can volunteer, please call the rectory

Gospel of Luke

For Basic or Renewal of Catechetical Certification

Sr. Kathryn Doyle, R.S.M. is giving a workshop on the Gospel of Luke at the Sacramento Diocesan Pastoral Center, July 24-26, 9:00am-12:00 noon. All are welcome! Catechists can obtain 9 certification hours under Christian Prayer. The fee is \$25.00 For more information and to register, please call Kathy at 733-0139 by July 19.

The 'Beginning Experience of Sacramento' support group is offering is "Encountering Life Alone" program of healing, hope and encouragement for divorced, separated or widowed persons of all faiths. This 10 wk program starts on July 19, 2007 at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, 2140 Mission Ave., Carmichael. The meetings are held from 7-9pm. There is a one-time registration fee of \$10 and a \$5 weekly fee. For more information please call 9835-2292 or visit our website at: www.sacramentobe.org.

University of Sacramento Information Session - Please come and visit the University's graduate campus at an Open House on Tuesday, July 17, from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Join us for hors d'oeuvres, and find out about the first catholic university in Sacramento. Learn about our popular Graduate Program in Catholic Faith Formation and other exciting opportunities for increasing your knowledge of your faith. 1531 I St., 2nd floor. For more info call 443-4760.

The Roots to our story of salvation: How did we get the New Testament? A general survey of the 27 books in the New Testament. A look into their background and why they were written. Presented by: Fr. Jim O'Brien, Lecturer in Scripture at the University of Hull, England. Wednesdays-July 11, 18, 25, & Aug. 1, 2007. At Our Lady of Assumption, St. John Hall. 7:00-8:30 pm. For more info, call 488-4626.. Catechist Certification Credits (6hrs) under the category of "Scripture".

the sick in our community especially,
Crystal Aguilar, Congetta Andreozzi, Joe Antony, Leonard Bencken, Danielle Carpenter, Kathleen Chibnik, Polly Cooper, Edith Costa, Sheila Cox, Michelle Devincenzi, DeAnn Dunnigan, Rose Flowers, Dan French, Bud Golsong, Laura Grombach, Josephine Holman, Nancy Junglas, Kimberly Kaufman, Bryce Leach, Joe Lease, Sal Lopez, Glenn Mapes, Jason Martinez, Desiree Mendoza, Nancy Moniz, Jimmy Mraule, Coquie Otterbine, Marge Pandorf, Fr. Troy Powers, Margaret Rahn, Celia Ramos, Marianne Redmond, Cathy Reynolds, Bruce Sauer, Barbara Scott, Jack Smith, Colin Soucy, Phyllis Steele, Benjamin Trickitt, Paul Van Coutren, Barry Whittlesey, and Katheryne Walton.

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