

Twentieth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
August 19, 2007

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Question of the Week

“How can I help those who advocate God’s
way of standing up to Evil?”

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Mass Intentions  For the Week

Sunday, 8/19/2007

8:00am

Theresa Cabrera. Ryan & Hilayna Brooks (L) Grandma Bertha

10:30am

Bob Moessinger (D) Geri Moessinger

Monday 8/20/2007

6:30am

Janeice Sanders (L) Her Mother

8:00am

Mike Robrect (D) Judy Roebrect (His Birthday)

Lucille Moessinger (L) Geri Moessinger (Her birthday)

Tuesday, 8/21/2007

6:30am

Chris Ramos (D) Gail Cohee

8:00am

Merritt Simpson (L) John Simpson

Wednesday, 8/22/2007

8:00am

Phyllis Anderson (D) Abrams Family

Friday, 8/24/2007

8:00am

Jim McCourt (D) Marilyn McCourt Barbara Fay & Family (L) Rose Mauro

Saturday, 8/25.2007

8:30am

Beau Beresford (D) Family Angelina Nagamany (D) Lawrence and Pam Talisivan

5:30pm

Marge Derdowski (L) Rose Mauro

Sunday, 8/26/2007

8:00am

Theresa Cabrera. Ryan & Hilayna Brooks (L) Grandma Bertha Jim Boyle (D) Rosemary Boyle & Boyle Family

10:30am

Peggy Lemmon (D) Audrey Vander Wegen

Parish Special Events

For all parish events look at the front page of our website at:

www.presentationparish.org

To calendar a scheduled event contact email davidmcafee@sbcglobal.net

VBS - Avalanche Ranch

Please Pick up pre ordered DVD's at 10:30 Mass Sunday.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19;

Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a;

Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15;

Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a;

Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Rv 21:9b-14;

Jn 1:45-51

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 66:18-21; Ps 117; Heb 2:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

9/11 Remembrance

On September 11 a special Interreligious remembrance will be held at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament at 7:00pm. Bishop Weigand will preside. The service will include presentation by young people from ten different faiths including, of course Christianity. Reception following

Troubled Marriage?

If you want your marriage to work , Call Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille is a Catholic program dedicated to help heal and renew marriages. Modesto, September 14-16 For more info call Geff and Judy Guenther (209)541-1547

Bereavement Hospitality needs

volunteers to help with receptions following the Memorial or Funeral Mass. If you may help call: Gail Cohee 971-3521 or Eileen Beresford 359-8342.

Come Celebrate Sister Vianney's Diamond Jubilee

Saturday September 8

Beginning with Mass at 5:30 and continuing with dinner and Irish music courtesy of Jim and Denise Moran. Tickets are \$20 per person and are on sale beginning August 19. Please help us get the word out to alumni, friends and family (Adults only... no gifts please)

Proceeds from the evening will be donated to the school in Sister Vianney's name

Reservations can be made after Masses beginning August 19th or by calling Marianne at 488-3239

School & Pre-School

School Starts August 20, 2007

Entertainment Books on Sale \$40

We have openings available in our pre-school and grades K-8 programs. Come and visit our school and see what we are all about.

Mass for Single Adults

Saturday, Sept 8, 2007 at 5:30 at St. James Church, 1275 B street, Davis. Potluck follows. For more info call MaryLee Barcens 419-9845 or email mbarceno@earthlink.net

Liturgy, do you have Questions? The Pontifical Institute of the School of Faith will give a course about Liturgy here at our Parish School. Running from September 10 to December 17 on Mondays, the cost is \$40 and \$10 materials. Contact Barbara at 481-7741 for more information.

New Roof

Work started on our new Roof August 13. The cost of the work will be \$60,000. Please excuse the noise.

Bishop Gallegos Maternity Home Fundraiser

Dinner Sept 30, 2007 Dante Club, \$55 per person reservations close Sept 19, 2007. For more information, call 916.485.7579



Weekly Offering

Aug 12, 2007

\$6,146

Second Collection

School

\$1,089

Thank you very much

RCIA

Registration for new and returning families is in progress until Sept 9th. Please call RelEd office at 482-8884 for details, We are looking forward to hearing from you!

From the Pastor

Let's Talk Heart to Heart

The God's Word of today Sunday is dealing with the resistance to evil in our world. Jesus likens this task to a burning fire that is able to obtain pure precious metal by eliminating the impurities. We are called to forge the character of our soul.

Our life brings us a chain of problems, an endless series of problems. Either we are in one now, and we are just coming out of this one, or we are getting ready to go in another one. God allows these crisis because He wants us to build up character. He is more interested that we have strong character well equipped with virtues and Christian values, being able to face and overcome difficulties, than to enjoy comfort and prosperity in our life. We may enjoy both, but the character that makes us holy helps us to be happy all our eternal life.

So, we may focus on the purpose designed by God or on our problems. If we focus on our problems, we're going into self-centeredness with: "my problem, my issues, my pain". Focusing on purpose, we build up our character, not concentrating on ourselves but on God and others, and we get rid of the pain caused by problems.

Focusing on eternal purpose, as the second reading teaches us, we are walking in the footsteps of Jesus, sharing His mission. We must rid ourselves of the "sin that clings to us" by "keeping our eyes fixed on Jesus" who endured opposition of evil and conquered it. This is what we need in building our character.

We are the soldiers of Jesus Christ, fighting against sins, taking faith and love as our weapon and shield. God is our peaceful place to dwell in.

To this Catholic Church in our parish of the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary we constantly invite others to share our treasure of faith. Last weekend we started the campaign of for the RCIA program that is to begin by the Pre-Inquiry six weeks sessions. I'm glad to tell you , to date, we have eight persons who have signed up. We need commitment and prayers of all our parishioners. I ask you to pray every day. For your convenience you may find this following prayer as very appropriate:

"Almighty God, Our Father in Heaven, Who abundantly planted the seed of Faith in the souls of all people, we ask You for Your blessing upon this work of evangelization. Help our brothers and sisters who don't know the teaching of Jesus Christ in the Catholic Church to come for this Inquiry period to know You. Give them deep longing for Your Truth and Wisdom and satisfy their hunger through the work of your servants. Bless all of us whom You have chosen for sharing our faith with others. May the Holy Spirit inspire us and lead us to Your sisters and brothers who are still outside the Catholic Church. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen".

God Bless, Fr Andrew

New School Year & Presentation Pre-School Starting

This week we open the 2007-08 academic year of Presentation Parish School. Our 210 students, faculty, and staff, are joined by our new Principal, Mr. Charles Suarez. I first met Chuck in 1986, during my Deacon Year at St. Joseph's Parish in Auburn, where he had already been a teacher for a dozen years. In 1989, he became a Catholic School principal and has to date served as Principal at St. Philomene's, at Mount St. Mary's in Grass Valley, and St. Rose, in Roseville. With that stellar 33 year record of accomplishment, he now chooses to serve Presentation School. We welcome Mr. Suarez to his share in the servant-leadership of our parish community and pray for his complete success in administering our School, in partnership with our Pastor and the People of God who are this Catholic-Christian community dedicated to the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary...Also beginning presently is our new Presentation Parish Pre-School. Hopefully, your pre-school age children and grandchildren will attend, as we will provide them with a wonderful foundational formation and please God, prepare them for a faith centered education. Welcome/Welcome Back students. Have a GREAT School Year !!!.....Fr. Troy

Know someone who would be a great Catholic?

Presentation will offer a new six-week "Pre-RCIA" program beginning Sept. 5th. It will give a high level overview of Catholic beliefs and practices. We encourage you to invite friends and family to this exciting program. Better yet, bring them yourself to this new program. It will be an opportunity to get their "feet wet" in Catholic ways. If they like what they hear they can move into the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) in October. For more information contact Maryellen Nommensen, Dave Leatherby, Gail Cohee, Sharon Friedrichor or Diane and Norm Anderson As Father Andrew says..."let's fill up the pews!" by each of us reaching out to those God has placed in our life. Registration will be in the back of the church. Phone contact 482-8883 (RelEd) or 481-7441 (Rectory)



Pray For...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, Kathyne Walton, Tilla Storelli, Jeanette Marquardsen and Joy Bissell

Rosary

Tuesday 8/ 14/ 2007 7:15 pm Chapel or statue of Our Lady of Lourdes.

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