



Presentation

of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

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February 12, 2012
Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time

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Mass Times:

Saturday

8:30am | Vigil • 5:30pm

Sunday

8:00am | Family • 10:30am | Youth • 4:30pm
Healing Mass (3rd Sunday of the Month) • 1:00pm

Weekdays

6:30am | 8:00am

Holy Days of Obligation

6:30pm (In addition to weekday Masses)

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday

4:00pm

Sunday

9:30am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Monday-Friday | 24 Hours A Day

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Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam



My Dear Parishioners,

Last weekend I gave the usual space of my bulletin article for a letter that Bishop Soto addressed collectively to all of us, the faithful entrusted to him, and to each one of us individually. In that letter (which you can pull up online on our parish website) the bishop asks us to unite together in order to defend our religious freedom, our First Amendment Constitutional Right, which has been denied us by the recent ruling of the current Administration. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced a couple of weeks ago that almost all employers, *including Catholic employers*, will be *forced* to offer their employees' health coverage that includes sterilization, abortion-inducing drugs, and contraception. Please visit www.usccb.org/conscience to learn more about this severe assault on our religious liberty. As Bishop Soto wrote: "This unjust law cannot stand."

The sole concession the Administration gave to our institutions was a year to comply. Archbishop Dolan of New York, the Head of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, said that we have basically been given a year to figure out how to violate our consciences, or we have to drop health coverage for our employees (and suffer the penalties of doing so). He furthermore stated: "This latest erosion of our first freedom should make all Americans pause. When the government tampers with a freedom so fundamental to the life of our nation, one shudders to think what lies ahead."

Bishop Daniel Jenky of the Diocese of Peoria, Illinois, in a letter to all the Catholic faithful of his diocese, wrote: "If these regulations are put into effect, they could close down every school, hospital and other public ministries of our Church, which is perhaps their underlying intention." What he has asked the pastors of every parish in his diocese to do, in addition to contacting their Congressional Representatives, is to insert the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel into the Sunday General Intercessions, just before the concluding prayer. The prayer is being announced as: **A Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel for the freedom of the Catholic Church in America.**

Though we are all called to do what we can in practical ways, we know that, first and foremost, our greatest means of transforming the culture and bringing about change for the good is through prayer. The power of prayer is limitless. As Our Lord Jesus Christ Himself said: "If two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven" (Mt 18:19). Therefore, beginning this weekend at all the Masses, we also will introduce the Prayer to St. Michael into our general intentions, interceding for the same end—the freedom of the Catholic Church in America. Please keep this intention in your own daily prayers.

**In Jesus, through Mary,
Father Jeremy Leatherby**

Deacon Lawrence



Our Lord teaches us by His actions as well as by His words. In healing the leper He teaches us a great lesson. Not in the heal-

ing, we have come to expect that of Him, but in this: "He stretched out His hand, touched him..." Jesus could have healed the man without touching him at all, why was that detail so important this time?

Lepers in the time of Jesus were the walking dead. No one would come near them let alone touch them. Can you imagine going years without even the touch of a handshake, or a comforting hand on your shoulder? And worse, no one coming near enough to even talk to you, unless it is to tell you to go away.

In our time leprosy is not the scourge it was 2000 years ago. But are there others we ostracize from our community? There are still terrible diseases that ravage the body, physical deformities that cripple and maim. Jesus challenges us to reach out to them, touch them, and bring them into our community. And not only those with physical disabilities, which are easy to see and therefore easy targets for bigotry, but also those whose pain we do not see.

Whether it is some trauma they have suffered in their lives, or a choice of lifestyle that is not approved of, their pain is no less real. And sometimes a touch or a kind word or just the offer to listen, can begin the healing process.

Pax Vobiscum

Pray for the sick in our community, especially:



Norm Anderson, Shauna Anderson, Armando Andreozzi, Joy Bissell, George Blancet, Katie Bray, Kelley C., Rose Cleverly, Sherri Cole, Brad Colvis, Rose Davis, Kristine Dean, Matt Deragisch, Bobbi Enos, Owen Foley, Jim Fox, Dan French, Brian Frizzi, Merry Gile, Vienna Golsong, Matt Hansen, LeeAnn Hartley, Julie Hildebrand, Kelly Joppa, Kimberly Kaufmann, Jan Lee, Lucille M., Nathan Marshall, Theresa Massey, Bill Mullin, Cody Nicholson, Gary Noes, Randy Prock, Lucy Robrecht, Dennis Roche, John Schmidt, A.J. Somers, Greg Spitz, Stefanie Strickley, Olga Sudia, Kathryn Walton, Debbie Wilson, Bonnie Womack and George Ziblay.

† **Mass Intentions** †

- 12 Sunday** (Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45)
8:00am Fr. Pepka
 † Neva Canfield (D) Davis Family
10:30am • Family Fr. Leatherby
 † Charles & Mary Olson (D) Catherine McCarthy
 † Mary Jane Caserio (D) Moessinger Family
 † Rev. Lawrence A. Ryan (D)
4:30pm • Youth Fr. Pepka
 † Michelle Devincenzi (D) Family
- 13 Monday** (Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13)
6:30am Fr. Leatherby
 † Charles & Mickey Figueira ... Bangkok Figueria
8:00am Fr. Pepka
 † For All Souls In Purgatory ... Bradshaw Family
- 14 Tuesday** (Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21)
6:30am Fr. Murin
 † Joyce Windeshausen (D) Nic
8:00am Fr. Pepka
 † Patricia Deragisch (D) Family
- 15 Wednesday** (Jas 1:19-27/Mk 8:22-26)
6:30am Fr. Pepka
 † Stefanie Strickley (L) Mom & Dad
8:00am Fr. Leatherby
 † Happy Birthday Katie Vierra (L) Andersons
- 16 Thursday** (Jas 2:1-9/Mk 8:27-33)
6:30am Fr. Murin
 † Joan Quinn (D) Catherine McCarthy
8:00am Fr. Leatherby
 † Betty Simpson (D) John Simpson
- 17 Friday** (Jas 2:14-24, 26/Mk 8:34—9:1)
6:30am Fr. Leatherby
 † Rev. Lawrence Ryan (D)
8:00am Fr. Pepka
 † Lucia & Agnesa VanZandt (L)
- 18 Saturday** (Jas 3:1-10/Mk 9:2-13)
8:30am Fr. Leatherby
 † Cristine Harrington (L) Harrington Family
5:30pm Fr. Pepka
 † Besich Family (D) Lucille M.
- 19 Sunday** (Is 43:18-19, 21-22, 24b-25/2 Cor 1:18-22/Mk 2:1-12)
8:00am Fr. Leatherby
 † Stefanie Strickley (L) Mom & Dad
10:30am • Family Fr. Pepka
 † Joe & Inez Wilson (D) John Wilson
1:00pm • Healing Fr. Uba
4:30pm • Youth Fr. Pepka
 † Michelle Devincenzi (D) Family
 † Bobby Rattenbury & Victor Spitz (D) Spitz Family

Religious Education News

Sidney Curry | DRE | 482.8883 | sid@presentationparish.org

**CHILDREN'S
FAITH FORMATION**

Sunday School classes for children
in Grades 1st—8th

Sundays

**ADULT
FAITH FORMATION**

RCIA sessions 6:30pm-8:30pm

Mondays

IMPORTANT DATES:

February 16 | 6:00pm | 1st Reconciliation

February 26 | 9:00am | Parent Talk in the PBVM Cafeteria +

Rite of Enrollment during 10:30am Mass

March 5 | 6:00pm | Confirmation rehearsal/Holy Hour/Penance Service

March 8 | 7:00pm | Confirmation

Collections

February 4 & 5

\$11,717.80

Thank you for your contributions!

Please consider ParishPay as a GREEN alternative to envelopes!

Call Barbara to inquire. | 481.7441

Youth Ministry News



Like us on Facebook!



High School Youth

We will meet this Sunday,
February 12th.

Join us this Sunday for
4:30pm Mass and fellowship
afterward in the Youth Room.
5:30pm—7:30pm



Middle School Youth

We will meet Thursday,
February 16th,
from 6:30pm—8:00pm,
in the Youth Room at the
rectory.

Young Adults

We will meet Thursday, **February
16th**, from 8:30pm—9:30pm.

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**Other PBVM Parish
Phone Numbers**



St. Vincent de Paul
(Tue | Thu | Fri:
9am-11am)
916.485.3482



Helping Hands
916.481.7441 x 203



Scrip
Diana Jimenez
916.402.1028



**Divine Mercy
Prayer Line**
Maureen Bradshaw
916.487.9620



Music Ministry
Kim LaSavio
916.485.2353
kim@lasavio.com



Legion Of Mary
Audreen Kailihiwa
916.489.5610



**Right-To-Life
Sacramento
ProLife News and Events**

Wednesday Adoration
will be dedicated to the
Right-To-Life movement.
Parishioners are welcomed &
encouraged to come any time
Wednesdays to say a prayer.
God bless you!

NEW:

Please join us for a Rosary for LIFE!
Wednesday, February 15
@ 6:30pm in the Chapel
(3rd Wednesday of each month)

**Healing After Abortion Retreat
March 2-4, 2012**

Rachel's Vineyard, Auburn
Sponsored by the Diocese of
Sacramento
Open to women, men, couples and
family members touched
by abortion.
\$175/person—Financial assistance
is available.
Annette | 916.733.0161
projectrachel@diocese-sacramento.org
Strictly confidential

Additional Resources for Women:

Sacramento Life Center
www.svpregnancyclinic.com
916.451.2273
Bishop Gallegos Maternity Home
www.bgmh.org
916.395.9370
Rachel's Vineyard Post-Abortion
Healing Ministry
www.rachelsvineyard.org
916.733.0161

**Lisa Couch | 996.6958
Dan & Emily Ossana | 363.0669**



**St. Vincent de Paul
News**

During the month of January
we served:

- 72 families
- 576 bags of food
- Wrote 10 vouchers for clothing
- St. Vincent's Kitchen served 479 meals

Please do not leave clothing, etc., at the Food Locker. Call St Vincent de Paul Thrift Store for a pick up. St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store is still in need of furniture. The most needed items include small dining tables with chairs, sofas and dressers. If you have any items you would like to donate, either take them to the Thrift Store, or call **972.1212** for a pick-up. All donations are greatly appreciated.



**Kate Beck | President
485.3482 | 489.5817**



Box Tops & Campbell's Soup labels!
Remember to clip those tops &
labels and bring them to
PBVM School.

This extra money helps to pay for
items such as P.E. equipment and
art supplies.

Every little bit helps.
Thank
you!



2012 Women's Retreat

PBVM Parish
Annual Women's Retreat
will be held at Trumbull Manor
in Novato, CA.

This retreat is a *silent*
retreat for women, conducted
by priests of the
Prelature of Opus Dei.

**Thurs., March 15 (8pm) —
Sun., March 18 (3pm)**

Please contact Sidney Curry for
more details and to find out
how to register.

916.482.8883

sid@presentationparish.org

Spots are almost full!
There will also be a wait list,
so call and sign up!

www.trumbullmanor.com

**Men's Club
Meeting**

Fr. Pepka will be our featured speaker

**Thursday, February 23
7:00pm
Rectory Meeting Room**

Light refreshments will be served.
See you there!

**Gene Trinca
916.359.8263**

LECTOR TRAINING

- ◆ ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO THE MINISTRY OF LECTORS?
- ◆ ARE YOU PRESENTLY IN THE LECTOR MINISTRY?

A MUST-ATTEND LECTOR TRAINING FOR ALL NEW AND CURRENT
LECTORS WILL BE HELD BY FR. LEATHERBY.
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18 | 9:30AM - 11AM | IN THE CHURCH

◆ Save The Date! ◆

Our Annual

ST. PATRICK'S DINNER & DANCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 10

6:30pm—Cocktails

7:00pm—Dinner

Tickets will go on sale soon!

Contact Becky Poncini
for more details:

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This
weekend!

Saturday, February 11, 2012

5:30pm Check-In

Silent Auction | Raffle | Live Auction | Dancing

CASH | CHECK | CREDIT CARD

Will all be accepted at check-out!

Thank you for helping make our
biggest fundraiser of the year a
HUGE success!

ATTENTION BEREAVEMENT MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS

Recently our Team Leaders have begun to call all of our volunteers in order to update our listing. Some have returned our calls, but we have not heard from many of our volunteers. If we don't receive a call back, we won't know if you want to remain as a volunteer or if you would prefer to be removed. We also won't know if you prefer to serve, bring food, set-up, etc. We also need to verify home telephone numbers, work and/or cell numbers.

To make it easier, we will take updated information via e-mail. (You may still receive a telephone call, and if so you can just tell the caller that you already replied via e-mail.) We often have problems reaching people because their phone number changed and they forgot to advise us. As you know, we offer to provide funeral receptions for grieving families who have lost a loved one. If they desire our services we usually only have a few days to pull everything together. PLEASE help us keep our list of volunteers up-to-date. You may e-mail me at:

ritahauf@surewest.net

Be sure to put "BEREAVEMENT" in the subject line, so your message won't go to the junk mail folder. Also, we can always use NEW volunteers.

Thanks very much,

Rita Hauf

Lead | Bereavement Ministry

Attention California Voters



The CA Bishops have endorsed two initiatives proposed for the November 2012 CA general election, but both need more signatures of registered voters to qualify for the ballot. The Parental Notification Initiative will respect parents' right to be informed about the welfare of their daughters by requiring doctors to notify parents 48 hrs. prior to an abortion on their minor daughter. The SAFE CA Initiative would recognize the dignity of human life, even in those who have done grave harm, by replacing the death penalty with life imprisonment without the possibility of parole. At the invitation of Bishop Soto, our parish will conduct signature gathering for these initiatives after all Masses
February 18/19 and 25/26.

If you are registered to vote in CA, please consider taking a few minutes to sign these initiative petitions.

The **2012 Ladies Luncheon Committee** is looking for your photographs of 1st Communions & Confirmations celebrated at Presentation over the last 50 years. We would appreciate all group and/or individual photos. Please submit your photos (photocopies are acceptable) to the school office.

Label the back of the copy with the year, names and "for Ladies Luncheon 2012". These photos will be displayed at the Ladies Luncheon on **April 28, 2012.**

?s: Carroll Mullen | 489.9508 | demullen@surewest.net



**PBVM EVENTS
FEBRUARY 5—MARCH 3**

12 NO CFF Lifeteen	13 Legion of Mary 9am Charismatic Prayer 7pm RCIA 6:30pm	14  Coffee & Catholicism 9am	15 Rosary for LIFE 6:30pm	16 1 st Reconciliation EDGE	17 Coffee & Catholicism 7pm	18 Lector Training
19 CFF Lifeteen	20  RCIA 6:30pm	21 Coffee & Catholicism 9am	22 Ash Wednesday 	23 EDGE Men's Club 7pm	24 Coffee & Catholicism 7pm	25
26 CFF Lifeteen	27 Legion of Mary 9am Charismatic Prayer 7pm RCIA 6:30pm	28 Coffee & Catholicism 9am	29	1 EDGE	2 Family Adoration Hour 6pm Coffee & Catholicism 7pm	3
4 CFF Lifeteen	5 Legion of Mary 9am Charismatic Prayer 7pm RCIA 6:30pm	6 Coffee & Catholicism 9am	7	8 EDGE	9 Coffee & Catholicism 7pm	10 St. Patrick's Dinner & Dance

COMMUNITY EVENTS

- Feb 11-Mar 26**—*True Devotion To Mary* prayer group (10am-11:30am, St. Philomene's)
- Feb 16**—Faith, Wine & Cheese (Speaker: Steve Patton; 300.3886)
- Feb 18, 19**—Mother/Daughter Programs (www.motherdaughterprogram.com)
- Feb 19**—Vocations Open House (St. Mel's)
- Mar 2-4**—Rachel's Vineyard Retreat (see ad)
- Mar 3-4**—Regeneration Retreat (more details to come)
- Mar 10**—St. Patrick's Dinner & Dance (more details to come)
- Apr 14**—Mother/Daughter Program @ PBVM (10am - 1pm)
- Apr 28**—PBVM Ladies Luncheon
- May 4**—PBVM Annual Golf Tournament
- July 23-28**—Vacation Bible School (Volunteers & donors needed; call 482.8883)

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OF THE **BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH**
WHEN PLANNING YOUR ESTATE.
CALL 481.7441 FOR INFORMATION ON INCLUDING US IN YOUR ESTATE.
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**The 2012
Annual Catholic Appeal
will take place this weekend —
February 11 & 12**

Our gifts will continue to assist tens of thousands of people in need, assist seminarians who are currently in formation, and provide need-based tuition assistance to families desiring a Catholic school education. Each and every gift will make a difference in someone's life.

Publishing Deadlines:
Church, School & Community Events

Feb 19—Feb 13 at noon

Feb 26—Feb 17 at noon

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If you are a new parishioner, or need to update your parishioner information, please call the rectory.