



**One Lord  
One faith  
One baptism**

**17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
July 26, 2009**

✦ **Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist** ✦

Sat 25	7:30a	✦Fr Patrick McGrath
	5:30p	no intention
Sun 26	7:30a	✦Harry Stryker by Ralph & Ann La Rossa
	9:00a	<b>People of God</b>
	10:30a	✦Peter Martinez by McDonough Family
	12:30p	no intention
	5:30p	no intention
Mon 27	7:30a	✦George & Rose Heid by John & Linda Shea
Tues 28	7:30a	<b>Holy Souls in Purgatory</b>
Wed 29	7:30a	✦Ben Bertagna by Carmen Bertagna
	7:00p	no intention
Thur 30	7:30a	✦George Santos by Barbara Santos
Fri 31	7:30a	✦Mary Van Buskirk by Lona Stalker
Sat 1	7:30a	<b>DJM Intentions</b>
	5:30p	no intention
		✦ <b>Mass Intentions ~ St. James</b> ✦
Sun 26	9:00a	✦Abigail Schifferle
	10:30a	no intention

*Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Ricci, Beatrice Capello, Pedro Fuentes,, and for their family and friends.*

**3<sup>rd</sup> week of July**

<u>Collection</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
July 19 <sup>th</sup>	\$6,953	\$10,573
Year to date	\$473,547	\$565,653

*May your faithful generosity bring you blessings of joy, for the Bible says, "God loves a cheerful giver!"*

**Note:** The parish maintenance collection ( 2<sup>nd</sup> collection) will take place next weekend, August 1 & 2.

Fr. JB Macharia will make his Mission Appeal on the weekend of August 8-9.

**ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE**

[stjohnthebaptistchico.org](http://stjohnthebaptistchico.org)

Fr. Berg's email: [fatherbrberg@yahoo.com](mailto:fatherbrberg@yahoo.com)

St. John's Office email address: [stjohn33@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stjohn33@sbcglobal.net)

**Calling all Adorers: Reminder:**

Monday, August 3, is our next 24 hour Adoration. If you signed up for a time last month, please come at the same time and be sure to sign in. Adoration will be from Mon. Aug. 3, 8am through Tues. Aug 4 at 7am. For more information contact Erika Sajben at 330-2594, Javier Lopez at 566-0358, or the parish office at 343-8741.



**Hospitality Today:** Come by the Library after 9am Sunday mass for coffee, tea, juice and a snack. Meet new people and visit with old friends.

**Taize Prayer:** St. John's and the Newman Center announces a monthly TAIZE service to begin Thursday July 30<sup>th</sup> 7pm at the Newman Center (3<sup>rd</sup> and Cherry). Taize is a meditative prayer service accompanied with simple chants, ending with bringing ones concerns to the foot of the cross.

**PRAYER IN YOUR LIFE - A Formation Program for the Laity:**

In Prayer in Your Life you discover who you are, who you are called to be, and how to deepen and develop your prayer life. Fr. Santan Pinto, S.O.L.T. developed the program: lay people who have been through the training will present an introductory teaching in the parish library at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church on Saturday, August 22. Registration is at 8:15am. There is no charge for this program. The presentation will be from 8:30-10:30am. There will be time for questions after the presentations.

**Jesus Center:** On Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, at 7:05pm, the Chico Outlaws will be sponsoring "Jesus Center Night at the Net" – a time for family fun and to help feed and shelter the needy among us. Tickets are \$7 each and \$3.50 from each ticket goes to the Jesus Center. Purchase tickets at the Jesus Center or Team Sports. Thank you!

**CFF Teachers Needed:** St John's Children's Faith Formation Program is in need of teachers for the 2009-10 school year. If you feel called to this wonderful ministry please call Raquel Ruiz at 343-8741.

**Prayer for Priests**

Dear Lord,

We pray that the blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your priests and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry.

We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, "Do whatever He tells you" (Jn 2:5)

May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary's most chaste spouse.


May the Blessed Mother's own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross.


May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen.

Saint John Vianney, pray for us.

❖ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ❖

**Catholics Returning Home:** Have you been away from the church or know someone who wants to return but is not sure how? You are invited to attend the Catholics Returning Home Session starting August 17<sup>th</sup>, 7-8:30pm Monday evenings. This is a 13 week session set in a comfortable environment. We will be meeting at Our Divine Savior Parish, 566 E. Lassen Ave. in the Parish office-Prayer Room. For more information contact Deacon Burkett at 893-2348 or Sharon Hazelton at 891-5334.

**RCIA**  **RCIA:** How do adult non-Catholics become Catholic? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process by which adults become members of our Catholic faith community. If you, or someone you know, are interested in learning about the Catholic faith, or are interested in becoming a Catholic, please join us for three monthly information meetings before we formally begin RCIA classes in early September. The next meeting will be from 7-9pm on Thursday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> in the upper meeting room of the Parish Office (435 Chestnut St.). All are welcome and there is no obligation. For more information contact Deacon Steve Schwartz at 891-0626.

 **Scripture Study/Radio: Joe Hollcraft is live on AM 930 at 11:00am-12:00 each Saturday and Sunday (re-aired).** Tune in to the Catholic Hour. This week, July 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, due to Joe's time in England over the next three weeks, Joe will re-air an already recorded program on the role and function of the prophets. Please do not hesitate to send Joe any of your questions. You can e-mail Joe at [jholljmi@yahoo.com](mailto:jholljmi@yahoo.com) if you have any questions about the radio program and/or the Catholic faith or go to the parish website and click on Joe Hollcraft's blog.

**Women of Grace Women's Ministry:** If you are interested in joining the Great Adventure Bible Study Group we meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at ODS Social Hall from 6:45-9pm. Next meeting is July Aug 13<sup>th</sup>. Bring your bible and your Catechism. If you have questions, please call Mary Waldorf at 898-6398.

**Rosary Prayer Group:** meets on Wed evenings at 7pm, at individual homes. The current Medjugorje message from Our Lady and the commentary are read. If you would like to participate, call 342-2323 or 898-1183

**Holy Spirit Prayer Group:** They meet at 7pm on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of each month at the Newman Center. For more information call Sharon, 891-5334 or James, 893-2348.

❖ **CFF: CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION** ❖

**Religious Education Questions - Call 343-8741**  
- UPDATE -

**REGISTRATION PACKETS HAVE BEEN MAILED**  
If you didn't receive one please call the office.  
**(EVERYONE MUST REGISTER EVERY YEAR)**  
**Confirmation and First Communion pictures are in**  
**please pick them up at the parish office.**



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**Life Teen-** Jesus and Jon N Bon's - Join us Tuesday and Thursday this week at the Newman Center starting at 5:30 for Mass then evening prayer afterwards we'll walk to Jon N Bon's so be sure to bring money.

**TOTALLY COOL Teen Catholic Answers** - There is a lot going on in the world around us and we constantly hear the opinion of our friends, teachers, the news, politicians, but where does the Church stand on these moral issues? Join Jeremy on Friday, July 31st from 11a-12p at the youth house. Bring your catechism if you have one or \$5 to buy one. Please go to [www.myspace.com/chicolifeteen](http://www.myspace.com/chicolifeteen) or contact Jeremy with ideas for topics.

**LOCK-IN-** Calling all high school teens we are having a pirate sized lock-in at the Newman Center on August 5th at 8pm-6th at 8am. We will start with a murder mystery and the one who finds the murderer will win \$100. Please come in your best pirate costume there will be \$50 prizes going out to the best male and female pirates. There will also be pool, ping-pong, a wii, movies lots of food and swimming. Bring your friends! The cost is \$25. Pick up a permission slip in the back of the church.

**Sports-A-Rama** -On August 8th we will be entering a sports tournament this is for all 7th-12th graders. The sports are volleyball, basketball, and ultimate frisbee. The cost is \$15 and that includes lunch and dinner. Pick up permission slips in the back of the Church.

❖ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ❖



**Respect for Life:** Health care reform should not include coverage for abortion on demand. Please communicate with Congress and join our National Prayer Campaign. For details see [www.PrayerCampaign.org](http://www.PrayerCampaign.org). Please consider going to Planned Parenthood on Vallombrosa on Wednesdays or the Women's Feminist Abortion Center on Humboldt on Fridays. Come any time from 9am to 12 noon.

**Natural Family Planning (Creighton model) Classes:** Are you ready to do a great thing for yourself and your marriage? Classes are available right here in Chico. Contact Jackie Hollcraft M.S.; P.A.C. (899-0243)



**Marriage Encounter:** "Live in a manner worthy of the call you have received..." (Second Reading) Worldwide Marriage Encounter can help you strengthen your Call to marriage or Holy Orders. The next local WME weekend will be September 25-27 in Sacramento. For more information contact Stephanie and Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348.

**"Northern Lights" Community Love Circle: Aug 1<sup>st</sup> Family Swim Party at the Burkett's.** Come and join us for some summer fun in the sun! For more information please call Stephanie or James at 893-2348, email [burkett7@sbcglobal.net](mailto:burkett7@sbcglobal.net)

**Job Opening:** The Office of the Bishop at the Diocesan Pastoral Center has an immediate opening for a full-time (35 hours per week) Executive Administrative Assistant. This position serves as a member of the Bishop's secretarial pool and provides administrative support to the Bishop, Vicar General, Vicar for Clergy and Chancellor. The successful applicant must be proficient in Microsoft Office products (Access, Word, Excel, Publisher) with excellent phone and organizational skills. Bilingual skills a plus but not required. For more information and a complete job description, visit the diocesan website, [www.diocese-sacramento.org](http://www.diocese-sacramento.org) and look under employment. To apply, please email resume to [personnel@diocese-sacramento.org](mailto:personnel@diocese-sacramento.org) by August 3, 2009.

**Natural Family Planning:** Pope Paul VI saw a need among Catholics to understand the full richness of what the Catholic Church teaches on marriage, for "Conjugal love reveals its true nature and nobility when it is considered in its supreme source, God, Who is love" (HV 8). How many of us have ever read *Humanae Vitae*?---a document as relevant to us today on its 41<sup>st</sup> anniversary as it was the day it was authored. Full of beauty and inspiration, it calls all married couples to responsible parenthood, "that husband and wife recognize fully their own duties toward God, toward themselves, toward the family, and toward society, in a correct hierarchy of values". Have we put our priorities in the right order? Do we understand the teachings of our faith? Don't we owe it to ourselves to learn what our faith teaches us about married love? We cannot live what we do not know. Begin by reading *Humanae Vitae*, which can be found free online. The website of the California Association of Natural Family Planning has more info and resources on the topic, at [www.canfp.org](http://www.canfp.org) and a toll free number to answer your questions: 1-877-33-CANFP will send you a copy of *Humanae Vitae*, if you just send your request and the donation (English \$3---Spanish \$4) to cover costs to CANFP 1217 Tyler St. Salinas, CA 93906.

**Monastery Vocations:** Attention Prayerful single men! The Holy Trinity Trappist Monastery (for men) in Huntsville, Utah will be hosting a "Live-in Experience" vocational retreat soon. The monks are on a scenic 2000 acre farm. Work and pray with the monks and enjoy the vocational talks. The group live-in is: Aug. 5-9 (individual July dates available at your convenience.) There is no cost. Call toll free 1-800-221-1807. If you take a bus or plane to Salt Lake City they will pick you up for free.

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**YOU  
ARE  
CALLED**

Sun	26	17 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time
Mon	27	6-8pm English AA
Tues	28	
Wed	29	St. Martha 6-9pm Spanish AA
Thu	30	St. Peter Chrysologus
Fri	31	St. Ignatius of Loyola 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat	1	St. Alphonsus Liguori/First Saturday 10am Confessions

**Library Hours & News:**

Sunday 8:15-12:30pm & Thursday 9-11am



**EMHC AND LECTOR SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST**

TIME	EMHC	LECTOR
5:30pm Sat	Karen Neadly Dori Terrell Dan Terrell	Tom Hixon Lisa LaRossa
7:30am Sun	Jean Mayer Yolanda Holt Ona Mertens	Marlene Lach John O'Hara
9:00am Sun	Barbara Bertapelle Cathy Boutwell Dan Boutwell Donna Houston Lori Smith	Bill Mutch Claire Johnson

**Diocese of Sacramento  
Immigration Support Network**

Bishop Soto has invited St. John the Baptist parish to join this initiative, directing that the Church should be

- the best source of reliable information for the immigrant communities
- a sign of hope & solidarity for the immigrant communities
- a vehicle for facilitating sensible immigration reform.

...there are no more distinctions between Jew and Greek, slave and free, male and female, but all of you are one in Christ Jesus. —Gal 3:28

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Mt 13:31-35  
 Tuesday: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Mt 13:36-43  
 Wednesday: Ex 34:29-35; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42  
 Thursday: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Mt 13:47-53  
 Friday: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Mt 13:54-58  
 Saturday: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Mt 14:1-12  
 Sunday: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35  
 Liturgy of the Hours Week I

