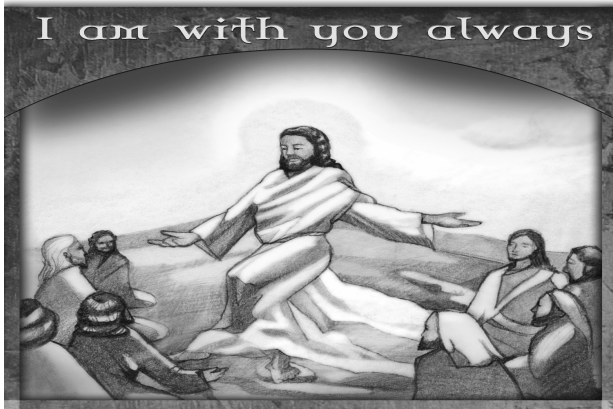


# The Ascension of the Lord May 28, 2017

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

<b>Sat 27</b>	7:30a	<b>Catharine &amp; Tristan David (living)</b> by Friend
	5:00p	✦Rick Cinquini by Areias Family
<b>Spanish</b>	7:00p	✦Armando Ponce by Ana Ponce
		✦Marcelino Barron by Lilia Barron
<b>Sun 28</b>	8:00a	<b>John Connelly (living)</b> by Friend
	10:00a	✦Rodolfo Puente by Angela Puente Selter
<b>Spanish</b>	12:00p	<b>Benjamin Hernandez (living bday)</b> by Irene
	5:00p	<b>Taylor Hensley (living)</b> by Felipe Family
<b>Mon 29</b>	7:30a	<b>Shawn &amp; Kim Connelly and Fam.(living)</b>
	6:00p	<b>no intention</b>
<b>Tues 30</b>	7:30a	✦Connie Murgia by Stan Murgia
	6:00p	✦Jim & Mary Picard by Eillen Family
<b>Wed 31</b>	7:30a	<b>Thomas &amp; Nicole Purpero &amp; Family (living)</b>
	6:00p	✦William Billings Holt by Yolanda Holt
		<b>Gonzalo &amp; Aurora Guzman (wed. anniv)</b>
<b>Thur 1</b>	7:30a	<b>Matthew Vail &amp; Family(living)</b> by Friend
	6:00p	<b>Roberta Mocabee (living)</b>
<b>Fri 2</b>	7:30a	<b>NDS Students</b>
	6:00p	<b>Special Intention</b>
<b>Sat 3</b>	7:30a	<b>Barbara Walker (living)</b> by Friend
	5:00p	✦Linda Morgado Spring by Marlene Shanks
<b>Spanish</b>	7:00p	✦Maria Alvarez by Candelario Covarrubias
		✦Marcelino Covarrubias

## ✦ Mass Intentions – St. James ✦

<b>Sun 28</b>	9:00a	✦Ruth Fetcho by Ruthe Cunningham
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### Operating Income & Expense (updated weekly)

	Received	Needed	Shortfall
<b>Offertory Collection Sunday May 21, 2017</b>			
St John's	\$ 8,719	\$11,250	\$2,531
St James	\$ 1,025	\$ 750	\$ (275)
	\$9,744	\$12,000	\$2,256

Fr. Jason Clark email: [fr.jclark@gmail.com](mailto:fr.jclark@gmail.com)

The Confirmation and First Communion pictures are available in the parish office for you to pick up.

## Holy Hour of Reparation

Friday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6:30pm-7:30pm in the church

Dear St John the Baptist Parish Family,

This last testimony that we will share is from a Parishioner who became Catholic last year at Easter Vigil.

**Blessings, Fr Jason Clark**

I am not a cradle Catholic, but when I first came to St. John's I knew I was home. Even though I had not been raised in the Catholic Church, I always knew somehow in my heart that I was Catholic and that the Trinity and Mary were waiting for me to wake up and come home to the place I was meant to be!

Whenever I have inquired about joining a church, I've always had questions about their beliefs and faith. No church I have attended was ever able to answer my questions in a way that rang true until I went through the RCIA! The catechists at St. John's who taught us about Catholicism did this with knowledge, faith and love. We learned so much- I learned so much! Our questions were always answered and the answers were always backed with Scripture and the Catechism of the Catholic Church- in other words- with the Truth.

During my First Communion and Confirmation I was filled with so much joy, peace, and love that I knew I'd come home! I've been accepted- accepted for who I am- by the congregation and family of St. John's. I have found the peace and love that I've always yearned for in other churches yet could never find. I am proud to be Catholic and truly cherish the friends and family that I've come to know here! I may not have been raised Catholic, but I know I've come home and Mary and the Holy Trinity are smiling down on me!  
Debbie Bradley

## ✦ PARISH NEWS ✦

The parish office will be closed Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> in commemoration of Memorial Day.

**During the summer all the morning masses will be at 7:30 am Monday thru Saturday.**

**JOB OPPORTUNITY:** St. John the Baptist, Chico is looking for a full-time (30hours a week) Religious Education Coordinator for our English speaking children.

Applicants should possess proven leadership skills and the ability to work effectively with children, parents and clergy. Training and education – Basic Catechist Certificate and BA in related field preferred-. Salary based on experience/education. Benefits. Please send resume to: [stjohn33@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stjohn33@sbcglobal.net) by Friday, June 2, 2017.

**Feast of Corpus Christi.** All are invited to participate in the procession on June 18. There will be a bilingual noon mass and afterwards we will process around the block where there will be benediction at each corner. The Knights Of Columbus will be there in all of their regalia. This is a great opportunity to bring your entire family and join us in an old fashion Catholic Tradition in honor of our Lord and Savior.

**In preparation for the Feast of Corpus Christi on Sunday June 18th**, St. John's will have a 40 Hours Devotion in the church June 14 through June 18 from 8am to 6pm each day. Please join us for this beautiful way to prepare for the Feast of Corpus Christi. The Adoration Chapel will be closed from June 14 at 8am thru June 18 midnight while the 40 Hours Devotion is taking place in the church.

**"St Joseph's Lily House:** is moving forward with the hope of having women occupying beginning in July. The Jesus Center has registered at Bed Bath and Beyond and the sign in to the registry is simply.

First Name; St Joseph  
Last name: Lily House

If anyone is interested in mentoring you can sign up online at [Jesuscenter.org](http://Jesuscenter.org) as a volunteer or call Shelly Watson directly at 345-2640. They are hoping to have an orientation followed up with classes early Fall. Any and all help is appreciated, to include prayer, stay tuned as we update you on other needs. Thanks for your support!!

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## SCHOOL NEWS ✦

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### **Catholic Schools:**

#### ***Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service.***

Catholic Schools offer academic excellence and faith-filled education for students nationwide. National test scores, high school graduation rates, college attendance and other data show that Catholic schools frequently outperform schools in both the public and private sectors. Notre Dame School is now enrolling for 2017-18! Interested in learning more? Contact our principal, Terri Schwabauer, at 342-2502 or [tschwabauer@ndschico.org](mailto:tschwabauer@ndschico.org) to set up a school tour.

Thanks to the generosity of many, Notre Dame School is able to provide several payment options, making Catholic school tuition more affordable than you may think. If you would like more information about becoming a donor or applying for financial assistance, please contact our principal.

#### **Notre Dame Preschool Opening**

We are excited to announce that the Notre Dame School will be opening a pre-school this Fall. It is located at the corner of Fifth and Orient. If you'd like more information please call the Notre Dame School office at 342-2502.



Youth Director

Jandi Pereira

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## ✦ FORMED ✦

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All parishioners at St. John's are encouraged to make use of our subscription to FORMED- the best Catholic content- all in one place! If you have not yet been to the site, go to [FORMED.org/register](http://FORMED.org/register) in order to register. Type in our parish code: **E4K93C** (case sensitive). If you are already a registered user, it is not necessary to put the code in each time you access the site- just remember your username and password! Below are suggestions of pertinent content for this week that you will want to check out!

#### **MAY 28<sup>th</sup> : SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**

Program: *Catholicism, Session 1: Amazed and Afraid*

Program: *Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 6: The Paschal Mystery*

Program: *YDisciple: Prayer*

Program: *YDisciple: Who is God?, Session 3: Is Jesus Really Divine?*

Book: *The Year and Our Children*

Audio: *This Changes Everything*

Audio: *The History of Salvation*

Audiobook: *Theology for Beginners*

#### **MAY 30<sup>th</sup> : ST. JOAN OF ARC**

Video: *Joan of Arc*

Book: *Joan of Arc*

Book: *Golden Legend of Young Saints*

Book: *The Young People's Book of Saints*

#### **MAY 31<sup>th</sup> : VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

Program: *The Bible and the Virgin Mary*

Program: *Catholicism, Session 4: Our Tainted Nature's Solitary Boast*

Program: *Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 9: Mary and the Saints*

Program: *YDisciple Activities: Total Consecration*

Book: *Mary: The Church at the Source*

Book: *Mary in the Middle Ages*

#### **JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup> : ST. JUSTIN MARTYR**

Book: *Four Witnesses*

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### **Library Hours**

**Fridays 8:00am - 10:00am**

**Sunday mornings**

**9:00am-12:00pm**

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We are heading into the Summer vacation season and today will be our last regular Hospitality hour after the Sunday morning Masses. Please come join us! We will be having monthly Hospitality on the following dates: June 25, July 23, and August 20. The Parish Library will be open as much as possible during the above hours on Fridays and Sundays; however there will inevitably be times when we need to be closed when library volunteers are out of town. When the flag is out we are open!

We have some wonderful new materials - books, DVDs, and CDs - to choose from.

Are you hoping to deepen your faith? Gain knowledge about the Church and it's teachings? Struggling with how to proceed in your spiritual life? Need some good fiction? The Parish Library just might have something for you!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**, is a fun, faith-filled week of songs, games, great snacks, and Bible stories for the children of our local Catholic community. We need your help. Speaking of great snacks, you will see a donation board in the back of the church. We are asking parishioners to pull a tag or tags for food items needed to make Vacation Bible School a success. Items purchased can be dropped off at Our Divine Savior's church office, Monday through Friday 10 am to 3pm. All donations are needed by Wednesday, June 7th.

**PORTUGUESE FESTA:** The Chico Portuguese Holy Ghost Fatima Club will be holding their annual Festa on Sunday June 4<sup>th</sup>. The celebration will start at the 10:00am mass with the crowning of the Queen at St Johns. After the mass the Festa will proceed to the Portuguese Hall at 14<sup>th</sup> and Broadway . The traditional sopas meal will be served from 12:00noon until 2:00pm and again in the evening from 6:00pm until 8:00 pm. There will be an auction immediately following the noon meal and traditional Portuguese music will be played throughout the day. This years Queen is Saraha Mendonca, daughter of Steve and Jeanette Mendonca. Her sidemaids are Teresa Mendonca, also daughter of Steve and Jeanette Mendonca and Bianca Silva, daughter of Steve and Amanda Silva. Past Queen is Isabella Silva, daughter of Brett and Lori Silva.

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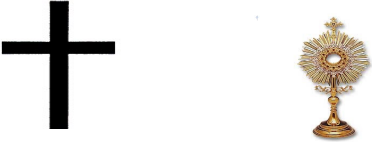
✦ **RCIA NEWS** ✦

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**Martha Ministry and the RCIA** *Feed my sheep.. John 21:15-17*  
 A HUGE thank you to our Martha Ministry team for their service this past August through this June. Our summer break begins after the June 28th class. As participants prepare themselves on their journeys to receive the Holy Sacraments, and become Catholics as our brothers and sisters, they are fed both spiritually and through earthly nourishment. The RCIA catechists provide the spiritual food, the Martha ministry the earthly food, both given in love and in the spirit of Christ. We'd like to invite individuals to prayerfully consider becoming part of our 2017-2018 Martha Ministry. Please contact Andrea Beauchane at [530-521-4497](tel:530-521-4497) or Deb Valenzano at [925-286-1493](tel:925-286-1493). Our fall ministry begins August 23rd, so we'd love to hear from you by the end of July, or sooner. It is a ministry that will bring love and warmth to all those involved in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, and to yourself for serving Christ through the gifts he gives you!  
**If you or someone you know has questions about the Catholic faith or are thinking about becoming Catholic, Inquiry classes are ongoing throughout the year. Please call 343-8741, email Lori Smith at [avemaria003@gmail.com](mailto:avemaria003@gmail.com), or check us out online at [www.stjohnthebaptistchico.org](http://www.stjohnthebaptistchico.org). It's never too late to join us!**



## Adoration Chapel

The Eucharist is the Sacrament of unity, Jesus unifying His people. Through the personal love, that one shares with the Savior, one is more able to grasp the reality that we are the whole Body of Christ. Please join us in the Holy Family Adoration Chapel to keep company with Jesus. He invites you into the most sacred space and will walk with you on your path in life. Please remember to update your information with us or in the parish office so that we can notify you of any changes or events. Hours we need to cover: Monday 1pm; Tuesday 1pm; Tuesday 2am; Wednesday 2am; Thursday 2am, 4am, 8am; Friday 12am, 3pm. If your name is not on the calendar correctly or the hours that you adore are not correct please contact us. Denise Marine (530)520-4176 or Javier Lopez (530) 566-0358.

### Help St. John's Prevent the *Summer Slump*

Summer is the most challenging time for St. John's due to a slump in giving. When our parishioners leave for vacations or go to the lake for the weekend, their offerings often stop. This slow-down in giving puts a strain on St. John's finances.

**How can you help?**

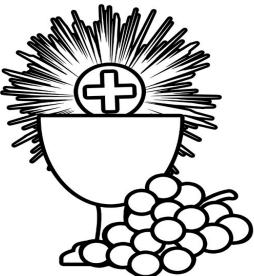
#### **Sign Up For Online Giving**

Here is how:

- You can sign up on your own. Just go to the parish web site, [www.stjohnthebaptistchico.org](http://www.stjohnthebaptistchico.org). For detailed instructions, click **Need Help?** under the Online Giving icon.
- You can make an appointment to come to the church office where we can do it together. Call 343-8741 for an appointment.

*There is virtually no easier or safer way to give than through online giving.*

**Our Divine Savior Catholic Church in Chico, CA has an opening for a part-time Office Assistant.** Duties include assisting the Parish Secretary in scheduling appointments, maintaining calendars and sacramental records, problem solving, multi-tasking and assisting visitors and parishioners. Computer and telephone skills required and experience in the following helpful: Microsoft Publisher, Word and Excel. This is a paid position. Interested applicants, please submit a cover letter, resume and availability to Fr. Francis Stevenson at [ourdivines@yahoo.com](mailto:ourdivines@yahoo.com) or mail to 566 E. Lassen Ave., Chico, CA 95973. All resumes sent in by June 15, 2017 will be considered for this position.



Fr. Edgardo Garcia, (our pastor), will be ordained to the priesthood on Sat. June 3 at 10am. He will be celebrating his first masses at St John's the next day, Sunday, June 4 at noon in Spanish and at 5pm in English. There will be a reception for Fr Ed following each of those masses. Please come by to congratulate him and receive his first blessing.

5/28/17

