



## The Exaltation of the Holy Cross September 14, 2008

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

<b>Sat 13</b>	7:30a	DJM intentions
	5:30p	✦ Jose Luis Florez by Sandra Hernandez
<b>Sun 14</b>	7:30a	✦ Bertoli Family (living & deceased) by Juanita Bertoli
	9:30a	Parish
	12:30p	✦ Bernardo Espinosa by Consolation Mstry
	5:30p	✦ Bob West by Jane & Mike Rabo ✦ Bernie Espinoza by Violet & Anthony
<b>Mon 15</b>	7:30a	✦ Martin Florez Lopez by Consolation Mstry
<b>Tues 16</b>	7:30a	✦ John Reginato and living family by Rosina Reginato
<b>Wed 17</b>	7:30a	✦ Anna Elizabeth Pilliard by Delbert ✦ Mary Lou Hansen by Canchola family
<b>Thus 18</b>	7:30a	✦ Yvonne Richard Cleo Richard (living)
<b>Fri 19</b>	7:30a	no intention
<b>Sat 20</b>	7:30a	no intention
	5:30p	no intention

### ✦ Mass Intentions ~ St. James ✦

<b>Sun 14</b>	9:00a	no intention
	10:30a	no intention

*Pray for the repose of the souls of Mary Osbourn, Laura Karr, Yvonne Richard, Paula Morales, and for the comfort of their family and friends.*

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Week of September

**Sunday Collection**                      \$9,433.00

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

--2 Corinthians 9:7

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## ✦ PARISH & SCHOOL NEWS ✦



**Pancake Breakfast:** Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast TODAY Sept 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-11:30am at St. John's. Come and enjoy pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee and juice. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children under 12 or \$20 for a family of five or more!

**Priests Retirement Collection:** This weekend Sept 13-14, there will be a second collection – the Diocesan Collection for Priests Retirement. This is our opportunity to take care of those who have spent their lives caring for our spiritual and sacramental needs within our diocese. Thank you for your support of our parish priests.

**CENTENNIAL DINNER/FALL FESTIVAL:** By now you should have received your invitation to our Centennial Celebration Dinner. Please join us for a family celebration with dinner and dancing to the "Fabulous Swing Kings" on Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at St.



John's.

**FALL FESTIVAL:** Sunday, Oct 5<sup>th</sup> from 10am-4pm is Notre Dame School's Annual Fall Festival. Come and enjoy games, food, fun & fellowship for the whole family.

Questions: call 343-8741.

**RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SALE!** NDS annual raffle is underway. Ticket holders have the chance to win a \$1000 Grand Prize, a \$750 2<sup>nd</sup> prize, a \$500 3<sup>rd</sup> prize, or a \$250 4<sup>th</sup> prize. The drawing will be held at the Fall Festival on Oct 5<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are now on sale for \$2 each or a book of 12 tickets for \$20. Please look for NDS students selling raffle tickets after masses. There are also ticket books available in the Parish office. Thank you for your generous support of our school.

**COUNTRY STORE:** It wouldn't be the Fall Festival without the Country Store! We are accepting donations of your nick knacks, books, children's toys, ect... We are also looking for "farm donations" (i.e. pumpkins, watermelons, corn, etc.) Please call Amy King 966-1611 or Jenni Schaeffer 893-5474 for drop off or pick-up. Thank you for your support!

**Birthright** will be hosting its first Wine Tasting and Art auction on Friday, Sept 26<sup>th</sup> from 5-8pm at the Newman Center. Paintings, prints, water colors as well as other works of art will be in our silent auction. All proceeds go to help the needs of pregnant women and their little ones. Chosen wines will be from New Clairvaux Monastery in Vina and from Vino 100 in Chico. Tickets will be on sale in the next several weeks after Sunday Masses or by calling 345-9711.

**Adult Choir Rehearsal:** If anyone would like to join the choir, practices are on Tuesday nights from 6:30-8pm in the Church. Our first practice will be on September 16<sup>th</sup>. For more information call Sally 343-1011 or the office 343-8741. Come and "make a joyful noise unto the Lord!"



**Torres Shelter:** If you are interested in joining a team to help feed the homeless at the Torres Shelter, please call Jerry Converse at 342-2134 to volunteer. It is a great experience

for both you and the homeless.

❖ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ❖

**Prayer and Bible Study** every Saturday night, 7-8:30pm at the Wing's home, hosted by Parish Cantor George Wing. Each week we will focus on the current Sunday readings and intercessory prayer. Call 342-4472 for directions and details. Begins September 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Rosary Prayer Group:** The Rosary Prayer Group meets on Thursday evenings at 7pm. If you would like to participate call 342-2323 or 898-1183.

**Women's Ministry Group** is beginning a new year! We will be meeting again at ODS Social Hall on the second Thursdays of the month. Our next meeting will be on Oct 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:45-9pm. This year we are going to study different books of the Bible. If you have any questions or would like to join the group, call Pat Hackney at 342-5528 or Mary Waldorf at 345-8638.

**Catholics Returning Home** is a Collaborative Ministry with three Parishes. No matter how long you have been away and no matter the reason, we invite you to consider renewing your relationship with the Catholic Church. **Please come and join us on Monday September 15<sup>th</sup>, from 7-8:30pm for the next 13 weeks.** We will be meeting at Our Divine Savior in the Prayer Room. These are informal listening sessions and updates of the Catholic faith. For more details call Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 or Sharon Haselton at 891-5334.

**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.



**Scripture Study/Radio:** Joe Hollcraft is live on AM 930 at 11:00am-12:00 each Saturday and Sunday (re-aired). Joe has a different guest each week. Each program will be devoted to the readings from the Mass. This week (Sept 13<sup>th</sup> and Sept 14<sup>th</sup>) Joe will re-air last week's program (away at Catechist Ministry Day) on understanding the call to love in the Church. The following week Joe will break open the theme to the 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: The Lord's graciousness. Be sure not to miss this great opportunity to better understand the Bible and the structure of our faith. E-mail Joe at [jholljmj@yahoo.com](mailto:jholljmj@yahoo.com) if you have any questions about the radio program and/or the Catholic faith.

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

**Religious Education Questions**  
Call 343-8741

**Youth Sacrament Program** is for students in 7<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grades who have not received all the sacraments (Baptism, 1<sup>st</sup> Penance, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, and Confirmation). If the student has not received one or more of these sacraments their parents should enroll them in this program by calling 343-8741 or coming to the parish office to register. These classes will be held every Wed from 3:30-5pm in the parish office. The first

class was on Sept 10<sup>th</sup>. Please call the parish office if you would like to enroll your child 343-8741.



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**LIFE TEEN** – We are getting ready to kick-off very soon, be sure to get your registration forms in before our kick-off on Sunday, September 21<sup>st</sup>. We will begin with the LIFE TEEN Mass and then have our LIFE Night from 7-8:30pm in the Notre Dame gym.

**EDGE** - We are getting ready to kick-off very soon, be sure to get your registration forms in before our kick-off on Monday September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Our year will begin with the EDGE Night from 7-8:30pm in the Newman Center Hall.

**LIFE TEEN Mass** – Jeremy and Andrea will both be out of town on September 14<sup>th</sup> so Don and Sally Stoner have graciously volunteered to fill in for our LIFE TEEN Music Ministry this Sunday.

**XLT** - Thank you for praying for our mini-pilgrimage, this last weekend to Holy Rosary Parish in Woodland. There were 47 of us and we had a great time.

Registration for the 2008-09 School Year: LIFE TEEN and EDGE Registration went out two weekends ago. If you did not get a registration form please pick one up in the back of the Church or from the Parish office. Registration forms must be filled out each year.

❖ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ❖



**Respect for Life Committee:** All life is a gift from God to be treasured. How very sad to return that gift, unwrapped, unopened—aborted. Please consider going to Planned Parenthood on Vallombrosa on Wednesdays or the Women's Feminist Abortion Center on Humboldt Rd on Fridays. Come anytime from 10am to 4pm to pray for the lives of the unborn children.

**Marriage Preparation Course at the Newman Center, Chico:** This two day course will take place on Saturdays, October 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> at the Newman Center from 10am-5pm each day. Continental breakfast and lunch will be provided. Cost is \$125. Registration forms are available at your parish office, or call the Newman Center at 342-5180.



**Marriage Encounter:** Make a great marriage even better! Sign up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Call Stephanie & Deacon James Burkett at 893-2348 for more information.

**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).

✦ **AROUND THE DIOCESE and beyond** ✦

**CALENDAR** ✦

**Ridge Community Family Festival:** Sat, Sept 20, from 10am to 4pm, all are invited to the Ridge Community Family Festival held at St. Thomas More Church. Entrance to the festival and parking are free. There will be games and activities for children of all ages. Refreshments include barbeque tri tip, Mexican food, hot dogs, soft drinks and juices. Singers, dancers, and other musical entertainment will go on throughout the day. Games of chance, skill and other activities including Bingo, a raffle for a \$500, \$250 and \$100 gas card, plus a special raffle for a Nintendo Wii Gaming system.

**St Thomas the Apostle School's Annual Golf Tournament:** Join us Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup> at Table Mountain Golf Course for our "2008 Hawaiian 18 Hole Scramble & Luau." Win a trip to Hawaii with a Hole-In-One during the tournament!!!! \$75 per person. Please call 370-4805 to sign up or if you have any questions.

**Healing After Abortion Retreat:** Struggling after an abortion? Still seeking peace years after the choice? Come to a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat, November 14-16 in auburn, sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento. The weekend retreat is a unique and effective process designed specifically to help you experience the mercy and compassion of God. There are many exercises to help you grieve your loss and an opportunity to understand and release the deep feelings of anger, shame, guilt and grief that frequently accompanies an abortion experience. This process is extremely helpful for those who struggle with forgiving themselves or others. Open to women, men, couples and family members touched by abortion. The cost is \$175. Financial assistance is available. For a registration packet or more information, call Debbie at 916-733-0161. Inquiries and participation are strictly confidential.

**Women of Grace Conference:** Join us in Sacramento at the downtown Hyatt Hotel for our 9<sup>th</sup> National Conference Sept 19-21. Is God Calling You to a Weekend of Grace? Join women from across the country and experience the transforming power of God's love. Go home renewed, refreshed and rejuvenated in your vocation as a Daughter of God! Enter into the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Get equipped for your mission in life. Be set free from the wounds of the past. Learn practical strategies for living the abundant life God has in mind for you! For more information and to register call 1-800-558-5452.

**Pilgrimage:** (Nov 6<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>) Join Fr. Enrique Alvarez on his journey to the Holy Land, Jordan, and Egypt. There is no joy like the joy of being in the Holy Land. Walking where Jesus walked, a boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, standing on the Mount of Beatitudes, praying in the Garden of Gethsemane and celebrating together at the Tomb over our Lord's resurrection! Then on to Mt. Nebo where Moses stood overlooking the Jordan Valley. From there the trip will continue on to Petra and climb Moses Mountain where God delivered the Ten Commandments. There will also be a visit to St. Catherine Monastery in the Sinai Desert. Please call

Sun 14	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross 2:30pm Latin Mass
Mon 15	Our Lady of Sorrows 24 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time 8am-3:15pm Adoration/Exposition 6-8pm English AA 7-9pm Spanish Cursillo
Tues 16	St. Cornelius and St. Cyprian 7pm Grupo Carismático
Wed 17	St. Robert Bellarmine 6-9pm Spanish AA
Thur 18	6-10pm Son's of Italy 7pm RCIA (parish office)
Fri 19	St. Januarius 3:30-4:30pm Adoration 6-9pm Spanish AA
Sat 20	Sts. Andrew Kim Taegon, Paul Chong Hasang, and their companions 10am Confessions

**Library Summer Hours:**

Sunday 8:15-9:30am & 10:30am-12:30pm



**Pope Benedict XVI's Prayer Intentions for September**

**General:** *That those who are forced to leave home and country because of war or oppressive regimes may be supported by Christians in the defense and protection of their rights.*

**Mission:** *That faithful to the sacrament of matrimony every Christian family may cultivate the values of love and communion in order to be a small evangelizing community, sensitive and open to the material and spiritual needs of others.*



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*Christ Jesus...emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness. -- Philippians 2:7*

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: 1 Cor 11:17-26, 33; Jn 19:25-27  
or Lk 2:33-35
- Tuesday: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Lk 7:11-17
- Wednesday: 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Lk 7:31-35
- Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Lk 7:36-50
- Friday: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Lk 8:1-3
- Saturday: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Lk 8:4-15
- Sunday: Is 55:6-9; Ps 145; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a;  
Mt 20:1-16a

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