



**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 5, 2010**

**PLEASE NOTE:** PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY SEPTEMBER 5<sup>TH</sup> FOR LABOR DAY.

✧ Mass Intentions ~ St. John the Baptist ✧		
Sat 4	7:30a	DJM intentions
	5:30p	✧Maria Barros by Joe & Bernice Toste
Sun 5		<b>23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
	7:30a	✧Victoria & Josefina Mota by Maria Correa
	9:00a	<b>People of the Parish</b>
	10:30a	no intention
	12:30p	✧Narciso Alvarez (Fr. Enrique's father)
	5:30p	✧Victoria Menczkowski Dybal by Mary Madden
Mon 6	7:30a	✧Linda Nouaux by the Shea family
Tues 7	7:30a	✧John Reginato & living family by Rosina
Wed 8		<b>THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>
	7:30a	✧Bill Harkness by Charlotte
	6:30p	✧Sam & Rose Giannotti by Sam Giannotti
Thur 9		<b>ST. PETER CLAVER</b>
	7:30a	✧Fred Rabo by Mike & Jane Rabo
Fri 10	7:30a	<b>Rosina Reginato (living)</b>
	8:45a	<b>Benefactors of Notre Dame School</b>
Sat 11	7:30a	<b>Jane Rabo (living)</b> by Rabo Family
	5:30p	✧Bernie Espinosa by Violet & Anthony
		✧ <b>Mass Intentions ~ St. James</b> ✧
Sun 5	9:00a	✧Claire Grzanich by Grzanich family
	10:30a	✧Isidoro & Socorro Olvera by Obdulia Olvera
		<i>Please pray for the repose of the souls of Arturo Gallegos, Salome Gutierrez and for their families and friends.</i>

**5<sup>th</sup> week of August**

Collection	Actual	Budget
August 29	\$6,851	\$4,536
Year to date	\$69,052	\$76,027

St. James total for August 29: (\$810)

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

**ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE**  
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**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".

**Catholic Relief Services** is on the ground in Pakistan distributing emergency supplies to thousands of people stranded in remote areas. At this time, the U.S. Bishops have not asked for a diocesan-wide collection for Pakistan. However, CRS is accepting individual donations for the relief effort in the following ways: Online at [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org), by phone at 1-800-736-3467 or by mail at P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21203-7090.

**Priests Retirement Collection:** Next weekend, there will be a second collection for the Diocesan Priests Retirement. This is an opportunity for parishioners to thank our priests for their long and loving service to the diocese. Please consider making a donation. Special envelopes are available in the church vestibule.

**Office of Worship** is offering a Liturgical ministry workshop Sat, Oct 9, 8am-1pm at Our Divine Savior Social Hall. The workshop will present several topics for reflection and discussion, including the history of liturgy, Christ in the liturgy & Scripture and practical application. The half day workshop is covered at no cost to all lay people. Those encouraged to attend are liturgy coordinators, liturgy committee members, lectors, musicians, sacristans, extraordinary ministers of communion, ushers and greeters.

**Dear Adorers:** We are ambassadors of the Holy Eucharist. Generously invite your family, friends and loved ones to join you or to share an hour of Adoration. **If you have any questions please call Erika at 330-2594 or Javier at 566-0358.** Below is a testimony by **Jose Marquez** whose life has been transformed by taking the time to sit with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament.



*The Holy Eucharist has totally changed me through our praying together as a family. I relate better with my wife and my children, my relatives and others. I have a better view of the road that our Lord Jesus has created for me. Thanks be to God.*

**Appreciation Dinner:** To show our appreciation for those who help the homeless and hungry in Chico, we are planning a steak dinner for Saturday, October 16 at 6 PM. If you help in any way with the meals/serving, the Christmas party or donate clothing for the hungry and homeless in Chico, you are invited to join us. Details to follow.

**Spanish Young Adult Dinner Dance:** Resurreccion Juvenil is having their 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Dinner Dance on Saturday Sept 4<sup>th</sup>, 6pm-12 midnight in the Notre Dame School gym. Must be 21 to attend. Cost is \$30 per person, or \$50 per couple. Come and enjoy a fabulous three course dinner, raffle, dancing to three live bands and a DJ playing a variety of music! Tickets are limited. Please call the parish office if you are interested in attending.

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❖ **ADULT FAITH FORMATION** ❖

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**Catholics Returning Home:** If you have been away from the Church because you have been hurt or find it confusing and want to become familiar with it again, this is the place to start. Jesus went out looking for the one lost sheep and when he found it he carried it on his shoulder. We will be gathering in an informal setting with other Catholics learning and growing in faith again. This is a 13 week session in building community and relationship with God with the help of others on the same journey. For more information contact Sharon Haselton 891-5334 or Deacon Burkett 893-2348



**Scripture Study/Radio:** Joe Hollcraft is live on AM 930 and FM 107.5 at 11:00a-12:00p each Saturday and Sunday (re-aired). Each week Joe will offer a teaching and reflection on the readings from the Mass. In addition, he will look at all the important questions that people are asking about the faith today. **This week, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, Joe will be out of town and re-air an already recorded program on the pro-choice mindset. The following week, Joe will examine the sacrament of Confession in light of the Prodigal Son.** Send Joe questions [jhollmij@yahoo.com](mailto:jhollmij@yahoo.com)

**Taize: Taizé Prayer Service:** Join us at 7pm on Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup> for Taizé at the Newman Center. Taizé is a quiet meditative prayer service using scripture and simple melodies to help us to focus on God.

**Rosary Prayer Group** will meet on the **SECOND MONDAY, September 13, due to Labor Day, at 7:00 pm in the church.** For more information, call 898-1183 or 342-2323.

**“Praise & Prayer Group** meets the 4<sup>th</sup> Wed of each month at the Newman Center from 7-8:15pm. For more information call Sharon, 891-5334 or Deacon James, 893-2348.

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

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*Religious Education Questions - Call 343-8741*

**Youth Sacrament Program** is for students in 8<sup>th</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grades who have not received all their sacraments (Baptism, 1<sup>st</sup> Penance, 1<sup>st</sup> Communion, Confirmation). Please come to the parish office to register. These classes will be held every Tues beginning Sept 15<sup>th</sup> from 4-5:30pm in the parish office.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: 1 Cor 5:1-8; Lk 6:6-11  
Tuesday: 1 Cor 6:1-11; Lk 6:12-19  
Wednesday: Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30;  
Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 [18-23]  
Thursday: 1 Cor 8:1b-7, 11-13; Lk 6:27-38  
Friday: 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Lk 6:39-42  
Saturday: 1 Cor 10:14-22; Lk 6:43-49  
Sunday: Ex 32:7-11, 13-14; Ps 51; 1 Tm 1:12-17;  
Lk 15:1-32 [1-10]

**Liturgy of the Hours Week III**

**Library Hours:**

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



Come and join us after the Life Teen mass for a movie night in the youth house from 6:30-8:30. There will be free pizza and soda provided, all high school students are welcome.

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❖ **MARRIAGE & FAMILY** ❖

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**Respect for Life: 40 Days for Life - Come Join this Life-Saving Opportunity!** 40 Days for Life begins September 22nd in cities across the nation! This life-saving, peaceful, prayerful ministry is endorsed by Bishop Soto and all Catholics are encouraged to participate! We will meet and pray in front of one of our busiest local abortion clinics at 3100 Cohasset Rd. in Chico, where lives are lost and women are wounded! Christians will be praying there from September 22nd - October 31st. We need everyone who is able to sign up for an hour of prayer to help. Bring a friend, bring your family! By God's grace and through the power of prayer, babies have been saved and raised or through the greatest act in self sacrifice have chosen adoption, due to people just like you praying during these 40 Days for Life Call Mary Waldorf at 345-8638, ThereseChamberlain892-897. To Sign up for a time directly go to [www.40daysforlife.com/chico](http://www.40daysforlife.com/chico).



**Marriage Encounter:** Just as you celebrate Labor Day at the end of summer, you can also celebrate your marriage by attending a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend.** It's a positive, simple, common sense private experience between husband and wife that revitalizes marriage. Renew the romance and excitement you experienced during your dating days. Our Fall Weekends are: **September 24-26/Reno, Oct 15-17/Modesto and Nov 19-21/Santa Rosa. Early registration is highly recommended.** Contact Stephanie and 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 Jenni Schaeffer (893-5474) or Jackie Hollcraft M.S.; P.A.C. 519-5081).

**“Mommy & Me” Group:** Meetings will be held in the Mother Teresa Room in the Parish Office on Thursdays from 11am-12:30pm. All mothers are welcome to attend. Our group will present informal discussion topics on the role of motherhood and faith formation for our children in a warm and supportive atmosphere. Please join us! Call Elizabeth Nice for more details: 828-9069. **Topic for Sept 9 meeting: Confession**

**Healing After Abortion Retreat:** Is someone you know suffering after an abortion, perhaps years after the choice? Please consider the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend, September 17-19. The cost is \$175. Financial assistance is available. For more information, contact Nikki @ (916) 733-0161. Inquiries and participation are strictly confidential.

