

Daily Mass Intentions

January 15, 2007—January 21, 2007



Monday, January 15: **8:30am Mass**
 + Manuel Andrade
 Tuesday, January 16: **8:30am Mass**
 Sick & Homebound
 Wednesday, January 17: **8:30am Mass**
 + Adele Dooley
 Thursday, January 18: **8:30am Mass**
 + Pattie Warner
 Friday, January 19: **8:30am Mass**
 Connor Coen
 Saturday, January 20: **8:30am Mass**
 Our Lady
 Saturday, January 20: **5:00pm Mass**
 + Kathy Begley
 Sunday, January 21: **8:30am Mass**
 + Msgr. Stephen Forish
 Sunday, January 21: **11:00am Mass**
 Our Lady
 Sunday, January 21: **5:00pm**
 All Parishioners

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Heb 5:1-10; Mk 2:18-22
 Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20; Mk 2:23-28
 Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17; Mk 3:1-6
 Thursday: Heb 7:25 — 8:6; Mk 3:7-12
 Friday: Heb 8:6-13; Mk 3:13-19
 Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14; Mk 3:20-21
 Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10; Ps 19;
 1 Cor 12:12-30 [12-14, 27]; Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — As a bridegroom rejoices in his bride so shall your God rejoice in you (Isaiah 62:1-5).

Psalm — Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations (Psalm 96).

Second Reading — To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit (1 Corinthians 12:4-11).

Gospel — At a wedding at Cana in Galilee, Jesus revealed his glory, and his disciples began to believe in him (John 2:1-11).

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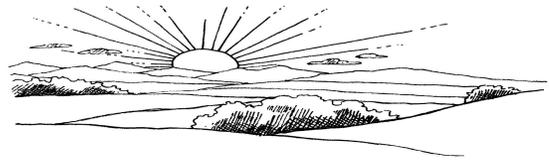
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**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
 January 14, 2007**

Nations shall behold your vindication,
 and all the kings your glory.
 — Isaiah 62:2

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SURPRISE

Life is full of surprises, some pleasant, some not. The Scriptures are filled with stories of God's surprises cropping up where least expected: younger children obtaining the inheritance; the lowliest being seated up highest; an itinerant preacher, killed like a criminal, exalted to eternal, heavenly glory.

Anybody who has planned a wedding or similar event knows that they are filled with opportunities for surprises. For that bridegroom (who, in the Gospel story, has no direct contact with Jesus) the pleasant surprise came because somebody else had paid attention and had faith in Jesus.

We may think that the point of today's familiar story of the wedding at Cana is that when we have faith in Jesus, our lives will be pleasantly changed. A Christian, however, needs to have a broader perspective, and realize that to have faith in Christ means that somebody's life—maybe our own, maybe somebody else's—will be surprised for the better.

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PARISH OFFICE

In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr., the parish office will be closed Monday, January 15, 2007.

We will resume normal office hours on Tuesday, January 16, 2007.



Martin Luther King Jr. Day



A FRESH LOOK AT LIFE

Being positive is the Catholic way. The best is yet to come, even if it is death. A friend told me about his brother this week. “Father, I have to stay away from him at times. He is so negative and sometimes I join in the negativity”.

A few years ago while I was at home my elderly Aunt Julia called. My aunt had Parkinson’s and her husband of over fifty years was confined to bed at the local hospital. She informed me, “Pat is not doing well and I thought you should know”. My two sisters accompanied me on the journey, we picked up my aunt and headed for Kenmare Hospital. As we were driving I made the comment that the country road was overgrown. My aunts response was that the two sides of the road were shaking hands with each other. What a much more beautiful way of looking at things. Her positive attitude helped me leave behind whatever negative feelings I had.

The day was a gifted day. I anointed my Uncle, his prayer was humble, his smile welcoming. That evening I was invited to go to dinner, but I called and cancelled when my aunt said, “I’d like to bring you all in for a cup of tea”. My aunt, because of her debilitating disease held the cup with her two hands but she held us spellbound with her stories. She talked about my parents, grandparents and summers spent long ago on the farm. The last story had us laughing. She told us she was teaching her grandson Sean to pray and that he should pray for those who needed a prayer. When requested whom he was going to pray for he answered, “The devil, sure he has no one to pray for him”. We stayed a long while with our aunt but she has stayed a lot longer with us since. Last year she died, God rest her gentle soul.

My prayer for all of us is that we will be positive, that we will see things through the eyes of Christ, stay visiting with each other a little longer, and carry fresh blessings to our world.

God Bless,
Fr. Mike

Giggles: *A boxer after the bell in round four says, “How am I doing coach?” “Coach: Let me put it this way—you’ll have to knock him out now to get a draw”.*

An excited husband called the maternity hospital as his wife was about to have a baby. “Don’t panic”, said the nurse over the phone, “we will look after everything. Tell me, is this her first Baby?” “No! this is her husband.”





AUXILLARY BISHOP RICHARD J. GARCIA NAMED BISHOP OF MONTEREY

Pope Benedict XVI has named Bishop Garcia to succeed Bishop Sylvester Ryan as Bishop of Monterey. Bishop Garcia has served as Auxiliary Bishop of Sacramento for the past nine years. He is also Moderator of the Curia for the Diocese and Vicar for Hispanics and other Ethnic Ministries. During his ministry among us, Bishop Garcia brought a strong pastoral commitment to Catholic schools, Spanish-speaking Catholics, new immigrants, migrant workers, youth, and inmates in state prisons. He traveled continually to parishes throughout the 20-county diocese, which stretches from Solano County to the Oregon border and east to Nevada. Bishop Garcia will be installed as the fourth bishop of Monterey during a Mass in Monterey on January 30, 2007. The Diocese of Monterey encompasses 46 parishes and 18 schools in the four Central Coast counties of Monterey, Santa Cruz, San Benito, and San Luis Obispo. Bishop Garcia is truly a credit to the Church. We are happy for the Diocese of Monterey, but we are sad to see him leave the Diocese of Sacramento. There will be two farewell Masses and receptions for Bishop Garcia on **Sunday, January 21 at 1:00pm at St. Joseph Church, Redding** and on **Sunday, January 28 at 2:30pm at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament**. All are welcome to attend.

CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

The first session of this program of outreach to inactive Catholics was held on Monday, January 8th at the parish hall. The program consists of a series of six meetings addressing various topics of concern to the participants, including discussions on the celebration of the Eucharist and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, on Catholic beliefs, and on changes in the Church since Vatican II. The next meeting of the series will be held on Monday, January 15, 2007, at 7:00pm in the parish hall. There is still room available for additional participants. Any inactive or non-practicing Catholic who might be interested in returning to the Faith is invited to attend and will be warmly welcomed. For more information, contact Jim McKeivitt at 878-7883.



St Joseph Parish School

**8th Annual Crab Feed
February 24, 2007
5:30pm – 12:00pm**

Tickets \$40.00 each to include:
All you can eat crab, clam chowder in a bread bowl, shrimp, salad, pasta, dessert

Shrimp Cocktail, Oyster Bar 5:30pm
Dinner 7:00pm
Dancing till midnight with "Mixed Company".

Raffle, prizes, all proceeds go directly to the St. Joseph Parish School

**This is an adult only event. No host bar.
No outside alcohol please.**

For tickets or information, please contact Mary Acuna @ 916-772-1357,
or Julia Eggert @ 916-645-1639.

Name _____

Phone _____

Number of tickets, \$40.00 each _____
Oyster tickets, \$1.00 each _____
Shrimp cocktail \$3.00 each _____
Soda tickets, \$1.00 each _____
Wine/Beer tickets, \$4.00 each _____
Bottled wine, \$12.00 each _____

Do you have a special request for seating?

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY



LOVE ONE ANOTHER

When: Sunday, February 11, 2007
Time: 11:00am

Place: Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament
1017 11th Street, Sacramento, CA

Couples married in the Church celebrating 25, 50 years and beyond will renew their vows. An informal reception will follow for couples and their families sponsored by Marriage Encounter. Any couple interested in attending this special occasion is asked to register (names and anniversary year) with the Department of Evangelization & Catechesis and call Joan at (916) 733-0110.

**Knights of Columbus
Basketball Free Throw Contest**



All boys and girls ages 10 to 14 years of age are invited to participate in the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest. Boys and girls will compete separately in five different age groups with ten eventual champions. Winners are eligible to advance to the district, chapter, and state championships.

The contest will be held on Sunday, January 21, 2007 in the parish hall. Registration begins at 12:00pm, and the competition starts at 1:00pm. This is a free event. Contestants must be a least 10 years of age on January 1, 2007. bring a birth certificate to verify age, and a parent's signature for the registration sheet is required. Additional information can be obtained by calling John Sheehan at (916) 645-3737.



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MON.	9:30am	Bible Study	Chapel
01/15	12:00pm	Basketball Practice	Parish Hall
	7:00pm	Catholics Returning	Fireplace Room
TUES.	8:30am	Music Class	Fireplace Room
01/16	3:00pm	Basketball Practice	Parish Hall
	7:00pm	JustFaith	Fireplace Room
WED.	9:30am	Catholic Ministry of Mothers	Fireplace Room
01/17	5:30pm	Bingo	Parish Hall
	7:15pm	RCIA	Chapel
THUR.	3:00pm	Basketball Practice	Parish Hall
01/18	6:30pm	KC's Social	Fireplace Room
FRI.	3:00pm	Basketball	Parish Hall
01/19			
SUN.	12:00pm	Free Throw Contest	Parish Hall
01/21			



**FROM THE
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**

A great big thank you from the Environment Committee goes out to all the wonderful people who came to help on Christmas Eve to create our Christmas Environment. Thank you to the Opshal's, the Ellner's, the Fonte's, the Tomich's the Molnars, Sally LaPorta and her sister Margaret and all the wonderful ladies from Anna Manzinal's committee who worked so hard and long. Finally, without my husband Efren, I could not do the things I do. He makes our ideas reality.

I would like to acknowledge Poppy Lane Christmas Tree Farm for their generous support of of our efforts. As always, we would love to hear your comments and ideas. If you would like to be involved in the Environment Committee, please call 268-9158.

~Robin Guerra

THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT was shared by so many in the Auburn area. Thank you to all who gave of their time, spirit and sharing of heartfelt joy.



Heartfelt Thanks

Bless the hearts of all the Christmas carolers. What delightful holiday expressions the residents of local convalescent homes had upon their faces when favorite songs were sung. The overwhelming response to the Giving Tree made it possible for all the facilities to pass gifts to all in need. Thank you for your generosity.

To all the seniors who attended the first annual Senior Christmas Luncheon, it was a holiday delight to share time with each and everyone of you. I am certain I speak for all in attendance in expressing thank you to everyone who made it all possible, especially the chef, Frankie Toney and all who helped serve.

~Barbara Freuler

Lectors: New Lector schedules are ready. If you did not get one by e-mail, please pick up a copy in the sacristy. A number of new lectors signed up last fall. If you signed up and were not included on the schedule, please call Joe Offer at 878-8919.

Bible Study: Please join us in our Bible Study group which meets in the Chapel every Monday morning from 9:30am to 11:00am to study the background of the coming Sunday's readings. Newcomers and drop-ins are always welcome. For more information call Joe Offer at 878-8919.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Secretary/Bookkeeper: The Sacramento Diocese Pastoral Center has an immediate opening for an experienced secretary/bookkeeper to support the office of Social Service Ministry and Catholic Charities. The ideal candidate will have excellent organizational skills, be a compassionate people person and be proficient in Word, Excel, and Quick Books. Bilingual Spanish/English a plus. To submit a resume to the Office of Lay Personnel, 2110 Broadway, Sacramento, CA. 95818 or e-mail to www.personnel@diocese-sacramento.org by January 19, 2007. A job description is available at www.diocese-sacramento.org.