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The Epiphany January 3, 2010

How open are you to the promptings of the Spirit? Do you pay attention to those things that flicker though your mind or in your dreams telling you to call someone or make an unscheduled stop on your way home? It is so easy to rationalize why such ideas are silly – there’s not enough time, it isn’t really necessary, people will think you are nuts, and so on. Those little ideas that flicker through our minds and dreams tend to be the Spirit nudging us to do something. The more we pay attention, the better we become at “hearing” and discovering what God is asking us.

Raise your eyes and look about.

—Isaiah 60:4

MASSSES for the WEEK

Sat 1/2	5:00	†Jose Roel
Sun 1/3	9:00	†Carol Thornberry
	11:00	†Abel Sobranes, †Abel Bianchi
		†Abel Thomas
	5:00	†John Hougham
Mon 1/4	9:00	†Lowry Backus
Tue 1/5	9:00	Our Parish Family
Wed 1/6	9:00	†Steven Pybas
Thur 1/7	9:00	
Fri 1/8	9:00	†Jane and George Spohr
Sat 1/9	9:00	†Gabriel Coelho
	5:00	†Charlie Borg
Sun 1/10	9:00	†John Hougham
	11:00	†Jeffrey Schlueter
	5:00	†Lowry Backus

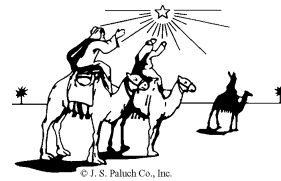
Remember In Your Prayers

Laverne Austin, Miriam Bradley, Peggy, Mary Carnazzo, Janet Cohen, Patria Cook, Jackie Daley, Al DeCarli, Cliff Escobar, Jasper Foletta, Joey Gardner, Christopher Gomez, Chris Gruzaz, Gerry, Tom, Leah Hitchcock, Lorraine Jacop, Mary Lou Kelner, Ruth & Hans Kiessling, Joe Leavitt, Madeline, Dan Menke, Gene Oliverio, John Ottone, Ryan Perry, Ed Roberti, Anna, Linda Ryan, Mark Ryan, Rodney Scandrett, Vicky Scaqua-LaForge, Melvin Scolari, Annika and Baby Smoot, Sam, Carson & Pam Souza, Hilda and Leonard Souza, Suzanne Stewart, Sara Thomas, Jim Thornberry, Ray Urquides, AnnMarie Young, and Garrett Weeks.

If you or someone you know would like the faith community of St. Joseph’s Parish to join you in prayer for special needs, contact the parish office, 455-2249. We do remove names after one month, so if we have taken a name from the list of a person still in need of prayers, please give us a call and we will happily put him or her back on the list.



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For Your Information...

Sunday Plate	\$18,616.80
Christmas Offering	21,314.97

Meetings This Week

RCIA	Tues,	7:00, hall
Scripture Study	Weds,	9:30, 7:00, hall
Choir	Weds,	7:00, church

At Tuesday’s RCIA meeting, Fr. Jim will talk on Introduction to Sacraments, All are welcome.

Religious Education News

RE Classes will resume on Sunday, January 10, 2010.
Happy New Year to all ~
Carrie and BJ

There will be a second collection next week for the Diocesan Seminarians and Continuing Education of Priests.

Happy New Year!

2010

Madonna del Sasso School Hosts

Pre-Enrollment Information Meeting, January 21, 2010

Madonna del Sasso School of Salinas will host a "Pre-Enrollment Information Meeting" on January 21, 2010 at 6:30 pm in the Student Activity Center.

Dr. Charles White, Principal, will speak about Catholic School education and Madonna del Sasso School. Following this presentation, prospective Preschool and Kindergarten parents will meet with those teachers who will explain their programs.

Screening sign-ups for grades K-8 will also take place on this evening. Screening is necessary to complete the registration process for the 2010-2011 school year.

For more information please call Paddy Jo Castagnetto, Registrar, at 424-7813.

Madonna del Sasso School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and/or ethnic origin, age or gender in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Young Ladies Institute Ignatius #85

Women Helping Women

January 6, at 6:00 pm at Madonna del Sasso Cross Hall. Meeting~Raffle~Dessert - Please bring what you can. Items needed are underwear, sweat suits, socks, shampoo, soap, deodorant, razors, towels, toothpaste & brushes, blow up air mattresses, sleeping bags, etc. To be donated to **Women Alive!** emergency shelter at Dorothy's Place.

Beyond Christmas

When the son of the angels is stilled,

When the star in the sky is gone,

When the kings and princes are home, When the shepherds are back with the flocks,

The work of Christmas begins;

To find the lost, to heal the broken,

To feed the hungry, to release the prisoner,

To rebuild the nations, to bring peace among peoples,

To make music with the heart.

~Author Unknown



All The Ways That I Am Words

A Retreat for Spiritual Directors and Prayer Leaders

January 29-31, 2010- Mission San Antonio, Jolon

A retreat for those who want to learn and experience the small group process by which participants provide peer support to each other using deep listening, intercessory prayer, silence and sharing.

Sponsored by the Diocese of Monterey - Facilitated by Carmella Dautoff with Margaret Marcroft and Eve Forrest. Cost is \$165.00. Call Barbara Winston at 645-2841 or email bwinston@dioceseofmonterey.org, before December 18, for more information.



Please pray for... Philip Zarate, Brian Flannery, Jeff Huff, Nathan Cuellar, Tim Bianchini, Brian Foote, Anthony DeChristopher, Tyler

O'Grady, Ryan Rodney and all the other brave men and women serving our country overseas.

If you have a loved one serving in a foreign country, give us a call so we can put them on our special prayer list.

Good Nutrition and Independent Living go hand in hand...

If you know a senior who is unable to shop or make their own meals, call Meals on Wheels of the Salinas Valley at 758-MEAL (758-6325) or toll free at 1-877-758-MEAL (1-877-758-6325). We deliver meals to homes throughout the Salinas Valley, from Pajaro and Aromas in the north to San Ardo and Bradley in the south.

A Warm Blanket For a Cold Soul!

Do you have an extra blanket around your house that you would be willing to give to someone who desperately needs it? Leslie Russo will be collecting blankets for Dorothy's Kitchen to be distributed on the streets of Salinas. You can drop off your gently used blanket in the parish office or to the parish kitchen. Or if you can't make it here, Leslie would be glad to come pick it up. You can call her at 402-0745.

Marriage Saving – the Weekend Phase – During the weekend phase of Retrouvaille a series of presentations are given by a team of three couples and a priest. The team presents a technique of communication that enables you to take a good look at most areas of your relationship. After each presentation you have time in the privacy of your room to discuss the previous presentation. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on Jan 22-24, 2010, call 831-479-1260 or email: Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at www.HelpOurMarriage.com.