

The Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 16, 2008



Each of us have been graced with gifts. Our particular personality, our abilities, and our intellect all combine to make us a unique person. With each strength, there is also a weakness so we may know our limits and our need for others. The challenge is to use all that we are in service to others and to allow others to work with us so that together we can bring the Good News to the world. How are you using what you have received?

All of you are children of light and of the day.
- 1 Thessalonians 5:5

MASSSES for the WEEK

Sat 11/15 5:00	†Charlie Borg
Sun 11/16 9:00	†Carol Thornberry
11:00	†Anita Fanoë
5:00	†Lucille Botelho Ross
Mon 11/17 9:00	Our Parish Family
Tue 11/18 9:00	†Lucille Botelho Ross
Wed 11/19 9:00	†Frances McGilloway
Thur 11/20 9:00	
Fri 11/21 9:00	†Lucille Botelho Ross
Sat 11/22 9:00	†John & †Maggie Lutkus
5:00	†George & †Nina Sammut
Sun 11/23 9:00	†Carmelo De Martini
11:00	†Lucille Botelho Ross
5:00	†Anita Fanoë

Remember In Your Prayers

Mike Albin, Jack Aiello, Karen Andresen, Suzette, Laverne Austin, Kip Bothwell, Mary Carnazzo, Janet Cohen, Al DeCarli, Bill & Mary Dekyne, Les Dinn, Cliff Escobar, David Joe Flores & family, Adam Garcia, Joey Gardner, Christopher Gomez, John H., Dick Hitchcock, Tom, Sr. Marie, Maggie Horowitz, Linda Giordano, Gordon Inns, Susan Inns, Lorraine Jacob, Debbie Juran, Mary Lou Kelner, Joe Leavitt, Margo Lopez, Petra Macfarlane, Martin Maher, Ray Martin, Ryan Perry, Ed Roberti, Gino Roberti, Paddy Roche, Elia Roel, Patricia Roel, Kirsten Sandstrom, Bob, Tamara Shipley, Linda Silvestri, Carson & Pam Souza, Suzanne Stewart, Sara Thomas, Elijah Taurke, Jim Thornberry, Loraine Thorup, Gene Tissot, Garrett Weeks, Terry Weldon, Bob Whitaker, Penny Austin-Wilson, Sandy Wilt, Vicki Woods, and Mary Ann Yax.

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.

For Your Information

Sunday Plate

\$9,482.07

Meetings This Week

I-Help	Mon, 6:00, hall
RCIA (Intro to Scripture Study)	Tues, 7:00, hall
Scripture Study	Weds, 9:30, 7:00, hall
Choir	Weds, 7:00, church
Middle School Youth Group	Thurs, 6:30, hall

Pies for Thanksgiving Dinner



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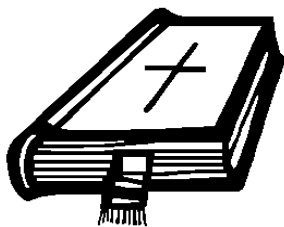
Rose is collecting Pumpkin Pies again for Dorothy's kitchen's Thanksgiving dinner. You may leave your donated, **baked** pies (even the frozen ones must be baked) in the refrigerator at St. Joseph's Hall between Sunday, November 23, and Wednesday, November 26, **no later than 1:00 PM.** (Pumpkin is preferred

but all others will be gratefully accepted.) Last year we collected over 100! Let's try and top that this year!

Bethlehem Olive Wood Sales

Members of the Bethlehem Catholic Mission from the Holy Land will be visiting our parish next weekend. They are raising funds to help Catholic families in Bethlehem. They will be selling handmade olive wood crafts, rosaries, holy water, crosses, nativity sets and statues. Your purchase will help to support those needy families in Bethlehem. The Catholics there used to be 15% of the population and now they are only 1.5%. This is because the continuous non-stop violence in the region is hurting the tourism industry, and those families have greatly lost a majority of their income from being unable to sell their crafts. Please take a minute after mass to peruse their items and support their families.

This weekend there is a second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.



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This Tuesday, November 18 Father Jim will be giving a talk to the RCIA group entitled **Introduction to Scripture**. This talk will begin at 7:00 in the parish hall.

ALL ARE WELCOME

For those of you who requested, we now have more DVD's of Father Jim's *Teaching Mass* available in the parish office.

Help Wanted

Sacred Heart School in Salinas is seeking a full time aide. A high school diploma is required. This position will be open until filled. Contact Pat Cunanan at 771-1310 ext.12 for more information.

Book of the Names of the Dead

The *Book of the Names of the Dead*, as its title suggests, holds the names of those who have died. Placing the book in the sanctuary, as we do every November, is one way of reminding us to pray for those who have died and also that we, together with them and all the saints in heaven make up the communion of Saints. We are one in the Body of Christ. We invite you to write in the names of those parishioners who have died since last November 1. Other names may be included in the Book of Petitions.

Come to the Quiet

Catholic recording artist **Michael Jon Poirier** comes to Our Lady of Refuge Catholic Church at 11140 Preston Street in Castroville on Monday, November 17 at 7:00 with **An Evening of Songs, Prayers & Real Life Stories**. Call 633-4015 for more information.

Paul

Advent Retreat With Father Jim

Since this year has been designated by Pope Benedict XVI as the Year of Paul, Father Jim has formed our parish Advent Retreat in such a way as to bring us to a better understanding of St. Paul and his immense influence on the formation of the Church both in his time and ours. Don't miss these four days of retreat: **Monday, December 1 through Thursday, December 4** as Father Jim describes St. Paul's concept of the Church, his ideas about the community that makes up the Church, his belief about how salvation comes to us and his teaching about the value of suffering in the world. Each session will be presented immediately **following the 9 AM daily Mass and again at 7 PM**. Refreshments and conversation will be offered after each session. Don't miss it!

Give Yourself A Holiday Retreat!

St. Francis Retreat Center offers you three opportunities to get away on retreat during the upcoming holy and holiday period. **La Virgen de Tepeyac**- Experience the play about Our Lady of Guadalupe at the Mission and reflect on its meaning for us today. Women's Retreat, December 12-14.

Contemplative Advent Retreat - Prayer, poetry, psalms, canticles, music and reflection on the meaning of Advent. Ed DeGroot -December 12-14.

New Year Renewal Retreat - Celebrate the movement from 2008-2009. This began in 2000 when there was anxiety about the new millennium. December 30-January 1.

For more information check our website: www.stfrancisretreat.com and select "Upcoming Retreats".

St. Francis Retreat Center
San Juan Bautista
831-623-4234

Advent News

Evening Prayer on the Monday evenings of Advent* @ 7 PM

Including:*Beginning of Advent Retreat on 1st Monday

*December 8, Feast of the Immaculate Conception- 2nd Monday of Advent, Mass instead of Evening Prayer

*Parish Reconciliation- 3rd Monday
Advent Retreat: December 1-4, 2008, after morning Mass and at 7 PM

Children's Christmas Preview @ 10 AM, Sunday, December 21, 2008 in the church.

Giving Tree Reception: after the 5 PM liturgy on Sunday, December 21, 2008 in the hall.



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Please pray for...

Philip Zarate, Mike Albin, Brian Flannery and the other brave men and women serving our country overseas.

If you have a loved one serving in a foreign country, please contact the parish office at 455-2249 so we may include them on our special prayer list.