

Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 18, 2009



Called to service

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As children, we dream of the wonderful things we will do when we grow up. As young adults we seek to fulfill our dreams, but we often find that it is not easy and become disheartened. Before we know it, all the responsibilities of adulthood seem to weigh us down and demand all our attention. Eventually, we find ourselves looking back, wondering what happened to our aspirations and what have we actually accomplished. While some of us may attain positions of importance, most of us will lead very ordinary lives. That does not mean we have "failed" or that our lives are of no consequence. Jesus was very clear that greatness can only be attained through service. Our focus needs to be on serving others. Through serving others even in small ways, we fulfill our true purpose and shown ourselves to be true disciples of Christ.

*The Son of Man has not come to be served but to serve.
-Mark 10:45*

MASSES for the WEEK

Sat, 10/17 5:00	†George and †Nina Sammut
Sun, 10/18 9:00	†Carolyn Chapdelain
11:00	†Rusty Cochetti
5:00	†Patricia Souza
Mon, 10/19 9:00	†Gabriel Coelho
Tue, 10/20 9:00	†Lowry Backus
Wed, 10/21 9:00	
Thur, 10/22 9:00	
Fri, 10/23 9:00	
Sat, 10/24 9:00	
5:00	†Louis and †Ruth Huntington
Sun, 10/25 9:00	†Lowry Backus
11:00	†Kathleen Dunne
5:00	Gene Cochetti

Remember In Your Prayers

Cesare Aguccioni, Gus Aiello, Gus Andersen, Laverne Austin, Alice Babione, The Balch Family, Miriam Bradley, Karen Brewer, Peggy, Mary Carnazzo, Maricella Carranza, Janet Cohen, Pearl Dailey, Linda Davis, Al DeCarli, Dion, Cliff Escobar, Jasper Foletta, Wayne Freeman, Joey Gardner, Warren Goldman, Christopher Gomez, Ada Granger, Tom, Maggie Horowitz, Silvia Jaksha, Lorraine Jacop, Mary Lou Kelner, Ruth & Hans Kiessling, Laverne, Joe Leavitt, Dan Menke, Paula, Gene Oliverio, Ryan Perry, Ed Roberti, Rodney Scandrett, Vicky Scaqua-LaForge, Bud Shannon, Sam, Carson & Pam Souza, Suzanne Stewart, Sara Thomas, Jim Thornberry, Gene Tissot, Ray Urquides, Garrett Weeks, Bob Whitaker, Penny Austin-Wilson and Vicky Woods

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

\$8,031.06

Meetings This Week

I-Help	Mon, 5:00, hall
RCIA	Tues, 7:00, hall
Choir	Weds, 7:00, church
Bridge	Thurs, 10:00, hall
MS Youth Group	Thurs, 6:30, hall
Finance Council	Thurs, 7:00, parish office
Liturgy Council	Thurs, 7:00, church

Marriage Saving

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue...or have you just stopped talking to each other? This program has helped 10's of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on October 23-25, call 831-479-1260 or email: Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Sox for the Homeless

It's that time of the year again, June Backus will be collecting sox for the homeless for the Franciscan Workers. If you would like to donate a pair (or more), bring them with you to church on the weekend of November 7 and 8 (one weekend only), and place in the provided container. It would be nice if the sox could be gift wrapped (ball-like) and identified as to whether the package is for a man (M), women (W), or child (C). **They are also in need of sweatshirts, and new or gently used stuffed animals for the children.** Cash donations will also be gratefully accepted. **Thank you for your help.**

Second Collection

This weekend there is a second collection for the Propagation of Faith (World Mission Sunday). You can find more information about the Propagation of Faith in the vestibule.

Spotlight on Special Ministers of Holy Communion

Special Ministers of Holy Communion (Eucharistic Ministers): Assist with distributing the Body and Blood of Christ at Eucharistic Celebrations and at communion services. They assist in preparing the communion vessels and eucharistic elements before the liturgy. Ministers of Holy Communion may also bring communion to the sick, homebound and hospitalized.

If you've been thinking of being a Eucharistic Minister, but haven't quite made up your mind, then come to the meeting on Tuesday, October 27 @ 2 PM or 7 PM in the church to learn more. If you are a veteran Eucharistic Minister, please come as well. The basics remain the same, but techniques and insights continue to change. It's never possible to know too much. So plan to come to brush up on technique and to give encouragement to new ministers. Contact Antonette at the Parish Office: 455-2249 or agoroch@stjchurch.org.

Religious Education News

RE Classes begin this Sunday –October 18th

Preschool and Kindergarten classes will be held Sundays during the 9am Liturgy. There will be a separate class for the 3-year olds, 4-year olds and Kindergarten children. Sign-in/out will take place in Room 3 at the end of the ramp. Sunday classes for Grades 1-5 will be held at 10:00 – 10:45 am, in the Religious Education building. Parents, please be prompt in picking up your children, so catechists may attend the 11 o'clock Liturgy.

Liturgy of the Word will also begin October 18th during the 11am Liturgy. Children will meet at the front of the sanctuary and be dismissed by Fr. Jim. They will be taken to the rug room of the Parish Hall and returned to the church after the collection.

Toro Park and Washington Union Classes will begin on October 26th, immediately after school until 3:00 pm. First grade will meet in Room 18 and Third Grade will meet in Room 5. Second Grade will meet on Wednesdays in Room 16. We are still waiting for a classroom designated for the Fourth Grade at Washington.

Spreckels Classes will begin on Tuesday, October 20th in the Religious Education building until 3:30pm. Teachers will meet the students at Spreckels School and walk them to the Religious Education building. Parents please be prompt when picking up your students after class at 3:30 pm.



Please pray for... Philip Zarate, Brian Flannery, Jeff Huff, Nathan Cuellar, Tim Bianchini, Brian Foote, Anthony Gygi, George Brodish, Jeff Nordin, 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.*

Silk, Psalms and Poems Restoring Your Creative Energy

Thursday, November 5, 9:00- 4:00pm

At St. Francis Retreat Center, San Juan Bautista

A workshop for women seeking an avenue for self expression, restful play and spiritual enrichment. A time to get away from the demands of home and work while sharing with others in a supportive environment. We will create a silk banner in the spirit of a favorite psalm or poem and share its meaning in our lives. Open to any woman interested in enhancing her creative spirit. No art experience required. For reservations call 831-623-4234 or visit www.stfrancisretreat.com.

The event listed above has been included in the bulletin at the request of the sponsoring local community agency, which is not affiliated with the parish or the Diocese of Monterey. Neither the Parish nor the Diocese of Monterey sponsors or endorses this event.

Young Ladies Institute Ignatius 85 Thanksgiving Dinner and Silent Auction



Friday, November 13 at 5:30 at Madonna del Sasso Parish Hall, 320 E. Laurel Drive
Donation is \$12.00 - Advance tickets only, deadline to purchase in November 6. Call Carol 484-9663 for more information.

Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the official international humanitarian agency of the U.S. Catholic Church, is responding to victims of Typhoon Ketsana in the Philippines and Vietnam, the earthquakes that struck Sumatra in Indonesia, and the tsunami that struck Samoa. To donate, please call 1-877-HELP-CRS, donate online at www.crs.org or send a check to Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21203-7090. In the memo portion of your check, please write: Southeast Asia/Pacific Islands Emergency Fund. For more information go to crs.org.

Book of the Names of the Dead

The Book of the Names of the Dead, as its title suggests, hold 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. Please feel free to write the names of your deceased loved ones in this book and light a taper for them. Our parish will pray for them throughout the month of November.

Restore Your Family's Covenant

A healing of your family's past
An investment in its future

Three days devoted to bringing your family into redemption, healthy relationships, and recovering the unique blessings that God has given your family. Offered in Pacific Grove and Monterey on November 7, December 12 and January 9. Presenters: Bishop Richard Garcia, Dr. Carol Razza, Jane Guenther, M. Div., Fr. Patrick Dooling and Fr. Peter Sanders
Information and registration online at www.NewPentecost.org
Sponsored by New Pentecost Catholic Ministries.