

The Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 26, 2008

The first reading from Exodus may be a little disconcerting. "You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you were once aliens...you shall not wrong any widow or orphan...if you lend money...you shall not act like an extortioner..." How does this help us form our attitudes toward immigration, just wages, social security, disability, children's programs, banking and credit card laws. The answers are not easy and good people may differ but we need to keep struggling to understand what is the right and just thing to do. We need to be open to listening to other viewpoints and to pray for insight.

You shall love the Lord your God... You shall love your neighbor as yourself.
- Matthew 22:37-39

MASSSES for the WEEK

Sat 10/25 5:00	†Pablo Ulloa
Sun 10/26 9:00	†Carol Thornberry
11:00	†Keith Robinson
5:00	Our Parish Family
Mon 10/27 9:00	†Angelina Boldrini
Tue 10/28 9:00	†Joe Ottone
Wed 10/29 9:00	Kirsten Sandstrom
Thur 10/30 9:00	
Fri 10/31 9:00	Kirsten Sandstrom
Sat 11/1 9:00	Our Parish Family
5:00	†The deceased of our Parish
Sun 11/2 9:00	†Carol Thornberry
11:00	†Jose Roel
5:00	†Lucille Botelho Ross

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, Adam Garcia, Joey Gardner, Christopher Gomez, 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.

Meetings This Week

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

It's Time To Renew!!

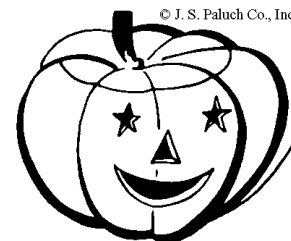
Remember RENEW and our small faith-sharing groups from a few years ago? The parish encourages us to form small faith-sharing groups during Advent. Whether you participated before or not or whether you are new to the parish, please consider joining a group – 1 hour a week for 4 weeks starting the week before Thanksgiving and continuing for the first three weeks of December. We will do our best to form groups of 6-12 at a variety of meeting times. Sign ups in the hall after the Sunday morning Masses and in the back of the church after the 5 pm Masses this weekend through Sunday, Nov. 2. You may also call the parish office to sign up. If you have questions call Marc Tunzi/Danielle Acton at 455-9576.

Palma High Open House

You are welcome to visit Palma's annual Open House on Sunday, November 16, from 1:00 - 4:00 PM. Palma is a Catholic, private, all-boys school grades 7-12, owned and operated by the Congregation of Christian Brothers; phone 422-6391 or email admission@palmahs.org for further details.

For Your Information

Sunday Plate	\$7,470.26
Propagation of Faith	2,322.65



Happy Halloween

**Sunday, November 2, 2008- All Souls' Day
and
A Special Liturgy in Memory of the
Deceased of the Parish**



It isn't often that All Souls' Day falls on a Sunday and it isn't often that another liturgy takes precedence over the celebration of Sunday. But that's just what happens on Sunday, November 2 when we do celebrate All Souls' Day at all the weekend liturgies. At these celebrations we remember all who have fallen asleep in Christ. We pray for them, for the forgiveness of their sins and that they may enjoy eternal life in the presence of God.

In addition, it has long been a tradition in our parish to celebrate a special All Souls' liturgy in memory of all those parishioners (and those with close ties to parishioners) who have died during the last year. This year, because All Souls' Day does fall on a Sunday, that special liturgy will take place at 5 PM on Sunday, November 2. Everyone is invited to participate in this liturgy, especially those who have sustained the loss of a loved one during this past year.

Fall Concert for Dorothy's Place

Ed and Judy Moncrief, local folk singers with a longtime involvement with Camarata Singers, will perform on Sunday, November 2 at 3:00 PM at the Unitarian Universalist Church, 590 Aguajito Road in Carmel. They will be accompanied by local musicians. All proceeds will benefit Dorothy's Place and the Women's shelter. Tickets are available in the parish office. You can also get tickets at Gadsby's at 424-6421, Bookmark Music at 648-0508 or 424-9958 in the PM.

You are Invited to an Ultreya

Cursillistas and those interested in Cursillo are invited to join us for faith sharing and fellowship at an Ultreya on Saturday, November 8 at 7:00 PM at Our Lady of Refuge in Castroville. This is a great opportunity to find out more about Cursillo and for Cursillistas to rekindle the movement in their lives. If you have any questions, please call Cindy Vierra at 831-757-5193 or visit our website at www.montereycursillo.org.

Adult Confirmation

Adult Confirmation, as opposed to RCIA, is for Catholic adults or adults who have been baptized in another Christian tradition, but have not been confirmed. If you are an adult baptized Christian interested in being confirmed in the Catholic Church, then come to preparation sessions on Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. Call Nic Bianchi at 675-2722 or the parish office for more information.

**DVD's of Father Jim's teaching mass are now
available in the parish office.**

Holidays Increase Stress!

The upcoming holiday time increases family stress. Help relieve that stress by learning to communicate more effectively with your spouse. Worldwide Marriage encounter is 44 hours where married couples will focus only on each other and learn to communicate more effectively. Our next weekend is November 21-23. For more details about a weekend call Vic & Joan Penacho at 831-638-9498, email ME@penacho.com or visit www.me-centralca.org.

Sox for the Homeless

It's that time of the year again, June Backus and Charlene DePratti 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 1 and 2, (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.*

Try a Retreat

Have you ever felt the vacation you just finished was not restful? Many vacations fall short of giving the kind of rest and renewal they should. That's one reason more people are considering going on a retreat. If you would like some information on retreats in our area, contact the parish office.

**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 1877-758-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.



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

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