

NO SERVANT CAN SERVE TWO MASTERS



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**Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 23, 2007**

The prophets constantly called the leaders and the people to be mindful of the poor and needy in their community. It can be easy to blame the poor for their own misfortune. We can see government programs as "giveaways" to those who don't deserve help. But are we looking with Christ's eyes? Are we more concerned that a few may abuse the help offered than the many who really need the help? How do you see your responsibility to the poor?

He raises up the lowly from the dust; from the dunghill he lifts up the poor.

– Psalm 113:7

MASSSES for the WEEK

Sat, 9/22	5:00	†Charlie Borg
Sun, 9/23	9:00	†Val Roberti
	11:00	†Anthony Narigi
	5:00	†Tony Balena
Mon, 9/24	9:00	Carol Thornberry
Tue, 9/25	9:00	Amy Rianda
Wed, 9/26	9:00	†Wilma Scott Gardner Hamilton
Thu, 9/27	9:00	
Fri, 9/28	9:00	
Sat, 9/29	9:00	Parish Family
	5:00	†George & Nina Sammut
Sun, 9/30	9:00	†Dolores Lovgren
	11:00	†Henry Fanoë
	5:00	†Joyce Lancia

Remember In Your Prayers

Karen Andresen, Laverne Austin, Dalhi Besmehn, Leah Borg, Christopher Braga, Leonard Breschini, Mary Carnazzo, David Courrejou, Irene Delaney, Margaret Eadi, Joyce Eastman, Cliff Escobar, Bernadine Fitzsimmons, Joey Gardner, Christopher Gomez, Budd Hitchcock, Susan Inns, Jon Jessen, Margaret Kelly, Mary Lou Kelner, Sr. Marie, Lauren Letzsch, Geralyn Moore, Nana Mimi, Dominic Narigi, Ryan Perry, Amy Rianda, Ed Roberti, Paddy Roche, Patricia Roel, Leopoldine Schulda, Tory Schwab, Linda Silvestri, Bill & Emma Smith, Carson & Pam Souza, Marlene Stadille, Suzanne Stewart, Sara Thomas, Murlo Stubbs, Carol, Jim Thornberry, Terry Uebelhart, Garrett Weeks, Terry Weldon, Penny Austin-Wilson, Jessica Zobel.

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.

SUNDAY OFFERING

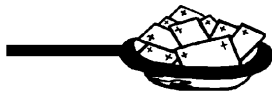


Plate Collection	\$7,975.75
Aged & Infirm Priests	1,667.00
Marists Missions	2,885.67

Parish Library

Open every Sunday during hospitality after the 9:00 am liturgy, and at 4:30 on Sundays.

Ministry Directory

St. Joseph's Parish Ministry Directories are available in the vestibule. Be sure to pick up this handy reference if you don't already have one.

Meetings This Week

Confirmation Parents	Sun, 6:00, hall
RCIA	Tues, 7:00, hall
Altar Servers	Tues, 7:00, church
Scripture Study	Wed, 9:30, 7:00, hall
Choir	Wed, 7:00, church
Bridge	Thurs, 10:00, hall
Youth Group	Thurs, 6:30, hall
RE Teachers, grade 1-5	Sat, 10:00, RE



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I have received great kudos for my work with the Middle School Youth Group. I thank you for all the pats on the back, they are so appreciated. However, I would like to give pats on the back to the parents of the middle schoolers and the middle schoolers themselves. I have had the opportunity to get to know some of the greatest kids ever. If you popped in on Youth Group, you might see it as chaotic. I see it as beautiful. My hope obviously is that the youth grow in their self-worth, their personal relationships, and, of course, their personal faith. What I wasn't expecting are the benefits I have received from being the youth leader. Thank you, super youths, for having fun with me, learning with me and growing with me. I'm right by your side.

Youth Blessings,
Christina Brigantino

Youth Group meets every other Thursday at 6:30, join us!

Religious Education News

Grades 1 - 5 - There will be a meeting for **teachers** of grades 1-5 only on Saturday, September 29 at 10:00 am to 11:00, in the R.E. building.

Please note: We are still in need for catechists for 1st grade class on Sundays.



Altar Servers

There will be an Altar Servers meeting on Tuesday, September 25 at 7:00 in the Church for beginning Altar Servers or anyone interested in becoming an Altar Server. If you have any questions call Antonette Goroch at 455-2249 or e-mail her at agoroch45@sbcglobal.net.

Stress in Your Marriage?

Retroville is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples. For confidential information about, or to register for the November program beginning with a weekend on November 2-4 call 479-1260, or e-mail Monterey@RetroCA.com.

Diocesan Choir Pilgrimage, Italy II

The Diocesan Choir was the principal choir for a mass at St. Peter's in June 2005. They did such a beautiful job that the Vatican Director of Music invited Sr. Barbara and the choir to come back. And as a result, they will be making another pilgrimage to Italy in June of 2008. The trip will include visits to many sacred sites, formal masses in Stresa, Bologna, Assisi, and Camaldoli and three concerts with Fr. Cyprian Consiglio in Assisi, Florence and Rome. One of the many highlights of Italy II will be a three-day retreat at the Monastery of St. Francis in Assisi, led by Bishop Ryan and Father Cyprian, entitled "The Universal Call to Contemplation and the Arts". Another jewel in the crown of Italy II will be the Diocesan Choir serving as the principal choir at the 10:30 am on Sunday, June 22 at the altar of the chair in St. Peter's! You are invited to accompany the choir, Bishop Ryan, and Father Cyprian on the pilgrimage. Please contact either Sister Barbara at the Office of Divine Worship, 423-4973, Blitmus@AOL.com or Todd Corgill, 419-1287, toddcorgill@yahoo.com for a brochure or additional information.

Coming Events

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St. Francis Retreat Center

Invites you to our first Friday Day of Recollection

October 5, 2007

Join us for this day to renew and refresh your spiritual life.

9:00 - Gathering for coffeecake and beverage

9:30 - Morning conference

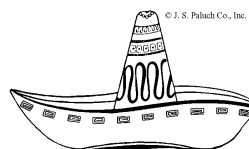
11:00 - Mass

12:00 - Lunch

1:00 - Afternoon conference

Day ends at 2:15

No reservation required. Suggested donation \$18.00



The Carmel Mission Fiesta

In the beautiful Carmel Mission Courtyard

Sunday, September 23, 2007

11 am - 5 pm

Come enjoy live entertainment, great food, local arts & crafts & more!

Young Ladies Institute Ignatius 85

Storybook Night

Dime a Dip Potluck Dinner

October 3, 2007

6:00 PM

Madonna Cross Hall

Come dressed as your favorite storybook character or pick one out of the hat and play "Guess Who I Am?" For more information call Mary Rothstein at 449-5773.

Sacred Heart Church Family Festival

Sunday, September 30, 2007 - 11:00 - 6:00 PM

Food & Drink - Kids Talent Show - Live Music - Great Prizes & Much More!

For tickets call 424-1959

Also, tickets will be sold here after mass this Sunday.