

† **MASS INTENTIONS** †

Week of **November 9, 2009 — November 15, 2009**

- Monday November 9, 2009**  
**8:30 AM** Vaughan & Lorraine Knight †  
**8:30 A.M.** Chet Lievre †
- Tuesday November 10, 2009**  
**8:30 AM** Terence Pereira †  
 Lorraine Cardoza †
- Wednesday November 11, 2009**  
**8:30 A.M.** Leonila Golbin †  
 Isabel Abrantes (S.I.) †
- Thursday November 12, 2009**  
**8:30 A.M.** Irvin & Mary Bettencourt †  
 Holy Souls in Purgatory †
- Friday November 13, 2009**  
**8:30 AM** Guilhermina de Jesus †  
 Joan Mayer †
- Saturday November 14, 2009**  
**8:30 AM** Deceased Members of Legion of Mary †  
 Cruz-Orpiano Families in Thanksgiving (S.I.)
- 4:30 PM** Bob Beigbeder †  
 Mary Louise Bettencourt †
- 6:30 PM** Community of St. John (S.I.)
- Sunday November 15, 2009**  
**7:30 AM** Julieanne Tamagri †  
 Bob & Helen Stanton †
- 9:30 AM** Blanca Menendez †  
 Eugenio Bettencourt †
- 11:30 AM** Misa Santi U †  
 Richard Souza †
- 2:00 PM** Community of St. John (S.I.)

**SAINTS & SPECIAL OBSERVANCES FOR THIS WEEK:**

- Sunday: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Monday: Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome  
 Tuesday: St. Leo the Great  
 Wednesday: St. Martin of Tours; Veterans Day  
 Thursday: St. Josaphat  
 Friday: St. Frances Xavier Cabrini  
 Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary



**EVERY FIRST FRIDAY** of each month all are welcome to come visit the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration is from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and Holy Hour from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Spanish.

**Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> - Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009**

**STEWARDSHIP OF OUR TREASURE!**

**GOAL \$10,000.00 PER WEEK**

Sunday Collection.....\$13,048.39  
 Maintenance Fund.....\$ 710.50  
**Bishop's Appeal Goal .....\$23,660.00**  
**Amount Collected for Bishop's Appeal ...\$ 20,293.11**

*Thank you for your generosity*  
*Gracias por su generosidad.*

*Your donations make our ministries possible*

**REMEMBER THE SICK**

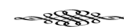
Victoria M. Abrigo, Dana Mitry, Jennie Fuhs Clara Moura, Lillean Viray, Nora Goulart, Elaine Rivera, Barbara Roe, Julie Russ, Albert & Faye Jordan, Luci Subica, Stella & Wayne Davis, Jeanette Frugoli David Gerecke, Hospicia Partido, David Gerecke, Hospicia Partido

**All names on the prayer list will be removed at the end of each month. If you want a name to remain on the list, please notify the office.**

**WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED**

**Gabriel Oliveira and Mariel LaPlante**  
 and

**for the deceased members listed in the All Souls Box placed before the altar**



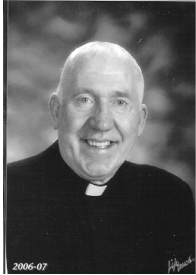
**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**  
**LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA**

- Monday/Lunes: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22  
 Tuesday/Martes: Wis 2:23 — 3:9; Lk 17:7-10  
 Wednesday/Miércoles: Wis 6:1-11; Lk 17:11-19  
 Thursday/Jueves: Wis 7:22b — 8:1; Lk 17:20-25  
 Friday/Viernes: Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37  
 Saturday/Sabado: 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8  
 Sunday/Domingo: Dn 12:1-3; Ps 16; Heb 10:11-14, 18; Mk 13:24-32

**PARKING ON SUNDAYS** is available at San Lorenzo High School for the 9:30 a.m. only.

**Lost & Found**

For items lost please contact the parish office at 351-5050



## From the Desk of the Pastor

Dear Friends,

Historically, widows have been at a financial disadvantage. When her husband died, a woman's source of income most likely went with him. That was why the generosity of a widow was striking in Biblical times.

Elijah met a poor widow who prepared to use the last of her flour to bake one more cake for herself and her son. Elijah started out by asking her for a drink of water, but quickly added his request for something to eat. She informed him of her situation, but Elijah promised that her store would not empty. With no more than Elijah's words, she trusted that God would provide for her. God's promise was good and she did not go hungry during the drought.

Another widow caught Jesus' eye in the reading from Mark. As she put her two small coins into the collection that supplied the treasury that helped those in need, Jesus taught the disciples a lesson about true giving from the heart. Unlike the officials who demonstratively gave their offerings, this woman quietly dropped the coins of her sustenance into the collection. The monetary value of her gift was far smaller than that of the officials, but her gift was far more valuable.

Much of our giving is from our surplus. This is true not only of what we give financially, but also of our service. We are very busy people and generally when we offer our time, it is of direct benefit to us or someone we love. We may volunteer to help with a field trip at school, coach a soccer team, or help in a nursing home; but generally it is we or our family members who benefit from our generosity. We may find, however, that as it did for the widow of the first reading, our generosity may be greeted with more generosity. The prayer of St. Francis reminds us of this when we pray, "It is in giving that we receive."

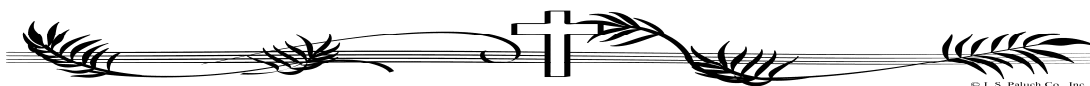
In order to facilitate a good atmosphere for Sunday worship at St. John, I wish to share again with you the ten guidelines essential to create a good prayer-filled atmosphere. They are as follows:

- \*Thou shalt enter Mass before the gathering song.**
- \*Thou shalt be sure that cell phones are turned off.**
- \*Thou shalt not chew gum in church.**
- \*Thou shalt nor read the bulletin during Mass.**
- \*Thou shalt dress appropriately.**
- \*Thou shalt not eat or drink in church.**
- \*Thou shalt receive Communion with respect.**
- \*Thou shalt tidy up your space before you leave.**
- \*Thou shalt park only in designated spaces.**
- \*Thou shalt exit Mass after the closing song.**

I do encourage you all to try to be present before the opening hymn and to always remain until the final hymn is completed. You may have noticed that we now provide hymn sheets to aid and help everyone to join in the singing. I do hear an improvement in the body of the church joining in the singing since these hymn sheets have become available. We want our liturgies to be enriching and prayerful for everyone. The better we all participate the better chance there is for such to become a reality.

Our last Bishop's Appeal collection was \$2,790.93. There is still time to contribute to the Bishop's Appeal to cover the remaining amount of \$3,416.89. Envelopes are available in vestibule of the church. Thank you for your generosity.

Blessings of peace,  
Fr. Mike



## MARYKNOLL MOVIE NIGHT RETURNS WITH A DOUBLE FEATURE!

December 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. in the community meeting room we will be watching two short movies: *Day of the Dead* and *Our Lady of Guadalupe*.

Join Roberto Alcaraz and Leticia Vasquez as they journey to Mexico to explore how the 'Day of the Dead' is celebrated and what it means in the lives of the people who call Mexico their home. Then continue the journey to celebrate the Virgin Mary of the Americas known as Our Lady of Guadalupe. Discover why Mary plays such an important role in Latino Culture and renew your faith! *The "My Americas" series journeys to eight Latin American countries, enabling viewers to rediscover their deeply held cultural, historical and cultural and spiritual traditions. Roberto Alcaraz and Leticia Vasquez journey through sacred sites, celebrations, processions, food, music, and dress of such countries as Mexico, Guatemala, Bolivia, Peru, Venezuela, Puerto Rico, and Cuba.* Runtime: 24 minutes for each film. No Rating.

### PREVENTING THE FLU

- Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.
- If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. You will help prevent others from catching your illness.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. It may prevent those around you from getting sick
- Washing your hands often will help protect you from germs.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth. Germs often spread when a person touches something that is contaminated with germs and then touches his or her eyes, nose, or mouth.
- Get plenty of sleep, be physically active, manage your stress, drink plenty of fluids, and eat nutritious food.

### **PARKING ON LEWELLING BLVD.**



We have been informed that parking on Lewelling Blvd. next to the fence in front of St. John's Church is considered an obstruction of the walk way. Vehicles found in that area will be ticketed (\$60)! Please park in the designated parking areas. Thank you.

## GOLDEN AGE DINNER:

This year the Golden Age Dinner will be on Sunday, December 6th. Arrival at 12 noon, lunch served at 12:15. We have enjoyed fabulous turkey dinner with all the trimmings for over 32 years. Santa has appeared every year with gifts for all who attend. All Disabled, Handicapped and Senior Citizens of St. John's Parish are invited. Any Senior who is interested in coming to the event is asked to pick up an invitation at the back of the church, fill it out and either send it in to the rectory, or drop it in the collection basket.

As always we are asking for donations of a woman's gift or man's gift. Please send something that SENIORS could use. Please wrap the gift and drop it off at the rectory with a label for Man or Woman.

St. John's is known for their great generosity. I am asking for help on Saturday and Sunday. I need help decorating the hall, setting up on **Saturday AFTER 4**. If you have time, please come on Saturday late afternoon around 4. I also **need a clean up crew on Sunday after the event**. Servers are also needed. Anyone interested please call the rectory or Pat Capra 510-333-4809. Your help will be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

## SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

"...the three sacraments of Christian Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Eucharist) closely combine to bring us, the faithful of Christ, to his full stature and to enable us to carry out the mission of the entire people of God in the Church and in the world. ... Further, Baptism is the sacrament by which its recipients are incorporated into the Church and are built up together in the spirit into a house where God lives, into a holy nation, and a royal priesthood. Baptism is a sacramental bond of unity linking all who have been signed by it." (from the general introduction to the book titled "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults")

Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, Saint John the Baptist welcomed our candidates for Christian Initiation. *Jessica Andrews, Anthony Diaz, Catherine Soria* and *Alisa Grover* will join *Rinnan* (who is already a catechumen) at the Easter Vigil in 2010 for the Sacraments of Initiation. ***Please welcome and pray for these adults seeking to be incorporated into the Church.***

## U.S. CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

Please visit [www.usccb.org/healthcare](http://www.usccb.org/healthcare) for updated information regarding input on the healthcare reform bill from the U.S. Catholic Bishops.

**THURSDAY NOVEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup>***"Transforming Violence Into Hope"*

Presentation by Raquel Jimenez, founder of Libré - a youth engagement project, on addressing youth violence in the City of Oakland at Holy Names University. Other participants include Fr. Tony Valdivia, Superintendent Sheila Jordan (Alameda County Schools), and Shaheen Mohammed. Free program begins at 7 P.M., Valley Center for the Performing Arts, 3500 Mountain Blvd., Oakland. For further information contact (510)436-1265.

**SCHOOL NEWS****AUCTION REMINDERS...**

Our Silent Auction is coming soon! Plan to join us next Friday to bid on exciting prizes and have a great night! We will have a delicious catered meal and a live band at the Marina Community Center. *Come as you are, or come as a star next Friday! Auction items from classes ... in addition to many other gifts, you can look forward to seeing and bidding on these priceless items!*

**HOLIDAY SWEETS FOR THE SWEET!**

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade class will be selling See's Candy to raise funds for their trip to Caritas this year! Help out our 6<sup>th</sup> graders and get a head start on your holiday shopping by supporting this fundraiser. You can choose from a variety of quality See's products, including the classic 1lb. box for \$15.60, or Santa boxes or mini holiday fancy boxes for \$6.00, as well as gift certificates. Orders must be received by Friday, December 4, and orders will be delivered to St. John's the week of December 14. For more information, please contact Mr. Greenbaum, Mrs. Catalan or 6<sup>th</sup> grade room parent, Geoff Gonsalves at 276-6632

**EL DIA DE LOS MUERTOS OFRENDA**

Wow! Have you walked through our hallway lately? You will be astounded at the amazing artwork that our children are producing. Every grade has creative, beautiful, skillful art displayed outside their rooms. Our junior high has benefited from more formal art training this year with their art class with Mrs. Babcock. Check out the studies in lines and the gorgeous ofrenda in the hallway. It is impressive and inspiring! Kudos to **Mrs. Babcock** and to our children for sharing their gifts! Please stop by, admire their work, and feel free to add your own intentions to our prayer basket.

**Saint John the Baptist Parish*****TO KNOW CHRIST BETTER AND TO MAKE HIM BETTER KNOWN***

**THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER** is dedicated to the Sacrament of Reconciliation with meetings beginning at 6:30 P.M. in the meeting room. While these meetings are required for all candidates for First Communion and First Confession this year to come with a parent, all families are welcome.

**NOVEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup>** Jean Easterly will return with the study of the book of Ruth in the Hebrew Scriptures. Come to the meeting room at 7 P.M. on November 23 for this wonderful reflection.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION PREPARATION**

Classes continue this week for all candidates for First Reconciliation. Any family who missed the first parent child meeting must contact Kathleen at 351-5050.

**PARENT PARTICIPATION NIGHT**

November 30<sup>th</sup>, Monday, at 6:30 P.M., all elementary school religious education families will come together for a potluck dinner. Each family is expected to bring food to share. There will be no organized assignment of type of food. This evening replaces the November 29th and December 2nd regular class meetings. We will share our Advent and Christmas family traditions and play Advent Bingo. Any questions call Kathleen @ 351-5050.

**ADULTS WHO WANT CONFIRMATION**

Interested in receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation? Missed the information meeting October 22<sup>nd</sup>? Call Kathleen Kennedy at 351-5050 for information and to sign up.

There will be *no Movie Nite in November* due to scheduling conflicts. *Maryknoll returns with a movie on Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 7.*

**MISSING TABLES ?**

Thank you to the person who returned two of the four missing round tables. Two round tables are still missing from the community meeting room. Please contact the parish office if you have information.

Thank you.

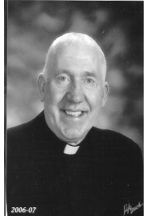


## DECLARACIÓN DE VISIÓN

Una comunidad diversa y acogedora basada en la fe, inspirada por el Espíritu Santo para dar fuerza y amor a cada uno.

## DECLARACIÓN DE MISION

La familia de San Juan Bautista en San Lorenzo trae vida a la Palabra de Dios a través de la liturgia, ministerio y servicios.



Queridos Amigos,

Históricamente, las viudas han tenido una desventaja financiera. Cuando moría su marido, la mujer perdía probablemente también la fuente de sus ingresos. Por eso la generosidad de una viuda era algo impresionante en tiempos bíblicos.

Elías encontró a una pobre viuda que estaba a punto de usar el resto de su harina para cocinar una torta más para ella y su hijo. Elías empezó por pedirle un poco de agua, pero en seguida también le pidió algo de comer. Ella le advirtió su situación, pero Elías prometió que sus provisiones no le faltarían. Sin nada más que las palabras de Elías, la mujer tuvo fe que Dios la cuidaría. La promesa de Dios se cumplió y la mujer nunca tuvo hambre durante la sequía.

Otra viuda captó la atención de Jesús según la lectura de Marcos. Mientras ponía sus dos pequeñas monedas en la tesorería que suministraba fondos para los necesitados, Jesús enseñó a los discípulos sobre la donación verdadera del corazón. No como los funcionarios que hacían sus ofrendas con ostentación, esta mujer dejó caer las monedas de su sustento en la colecta. El valor monetario de su regalo fue mucho más pequeño que el de los funcionarios, pero su regalo tenía mucho más valor.

La mayoría de nosotros regala de lo que le sobra. No sólo es cierto respecto a lo que damos en dinero, sino también respecto a nuestro servicio. Estamos muy ocupados y generalmente cuando ofrecemos nuestro tiempo es porque nos beneficia directamente a nosotros o a alguien que queremos. Podemos ofrecernos como voluntarios para ayudar en un paseo escolar, entrenar un equipo de fútbol o ayudar en un sanatorio; pero generalmente los miembros de nuestra familia son los beneficiarios de nuestra generosidad. Podemos descubrir, sin embargo, que como en el caso de la viuda en 1 Reyes, nuestra generosidad puede ser correspondida con más generosidad. La oración de San Francisco nos trae esto a la memoria cuando rezamos: "Es cuando damos que recibimos".

Para poder facilitar un ambiente durante el rendimiento de culto del día domingo aquí en San Juan, quiero compartir de nuevo las 10 normas esenciales, para crear una buena atmósfera llena de oración. Estas son las siguientes:

- \*Tú entraras a la Misa antes del canto de entrada.
- \*Tu estará seguro que tu teléfono celular esta apagado.
- \*Tú no masticaras goma (chicle) en la iglesia.
- \*Tú no leerás el boletín durante la Misa.
- \*Tú te vestirás apropiadamente.
- \*Tú no comerás o beberás en la iglesia.
- \*Tú recibirás la Comunión con todo respeto.
- \*Tú limpiaras tu espacio antes de retirarte.
- \*Tut estacionaras solamente en los espacios designados.
- \* Tú Te retiraras de la Misa después del canto de salida.

Les animo a todos que traten de estar presentes antes del canto de entrada y que siempre permanezcan hasta el canto de salida se haya terminado. Habrán notado que proveemos libretos de cantos para ayudar a que todos se unan en los cantos. Desde que estos libretos fueron disponibles, he escuchado una mejoría cuando todos se unen a los cantos. Queremos que nuestra liturgia sea enriquecedora y fervorosa para todos. Entre mejor nosotros participemos, la mejor oportunidad para que sea una realidad.

La última colecta del llamado Arzobispal fue de \$2,790.93. Aún hay tiempo para contribuir y cubrir la cantidad de \$3,416.89 que aún resta de la meta de este año. Hay disponibles en el vestibule de la Iglesia. Gracias por su generosidad.

**Bendiciones de paz**  
**Padre Mike**

## FILOSOFIA Y METAS DE LA EDUCACION RELIGIOSA EN SAN JUAN

Juntos tratamos de ayudar a todos aquí en San Juan al crecimiento de Fe, comprensión de las Tradiciones Católicas y experimentar unidad con Cristo y los dones del Espíritu Santo.

Nuestras metas es alentar a todos a vivir como discípulos de Jesucristo con participación responsable en la vida, misión y obras de una comunidad Católica de fe.



### ESTACIONAMIENTO EN EL BOULEVARD LEWELLING

Se nos ha informado que estacionarse enfrente de la cerca en el Boulevard Lewelling es considerado como una obstrucción de tránsito. Los vehículos que se encuentren en esa área recibirán un ticket (\$60). Por favor estacionense en las áreas asignadas.

### REQUISITOS PARA QUINCEANERAS

- Ser miembros de la Parroquia
- Haber recibido el Sacramento del Bautismo y Primera Comunión
- Estar inscrito en las clases de Confirmación
- Participación en las Misas Dominicales periódicamente.
- Para más información llame a Edith al 351-5050

### EDUCACION RELIGIOSA

Las clases de catequesis del día domingo son para los niños del 1 al 5 grado (escuela elemental) el horario es de la una a las dos de la tarde, seguido con la Santa Misa.

Este año hubo un cambio, todos los niños de los grados 6, 7, y 8 participarán en su formación los días miércoles a las 6:30 pm. El día 23 de septiembre, habrá orientación para los padres a las 6:30pm en el salón comunitario.

**CONFIRMACION** Para poder ser confirmado tiene que estar en el grado 9 de la High School y las clases se llevan a cabo los martes a las 7:00pm en el salón pastoral juvenil o los domingos a las 3:30pm en el salón comunitario

### Trigésimo segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario 8 de noviembre de 2009

El Señor siempre es fiel a su palabra,

y es quien hace justicia al oprimido;

él proporciona pan a los hambrientos.

— *Salmo 146(145):7*

### ANUNCIO DE LA ESCUELA

No se les olvide la subasta silenciosa el día 13 de noviembre.

Altars del día de los Muertos. ¿Ha caminado a través de los pasillos de la escuela? Se asombrará del arte que los niños han hecho produciendo los Altars que se encuentran enfrente de sus salones. Felicitaciones a Mrs Babcock y los niños por compartir sus dones.

### PRECAUCIONES CONTRA LA INFLUENZA

- Evite contacto con personas enfermas. Cuando usted este enfermo, manténgase distante de otras personas para protegerlos.
- Si es posible quedese en casa.
- Cubrase la boca y nariz con un pañuelo cuando toese o destornuda.
- Lavase las manos frecuentemente.
- Evite tocarse los ojos, nariz o boca. Los germenos se transmiten cuando las personas tocan algo contaminado.
- Trate de dormir lo suficiente, esté físicamente activo, domine su estrés, tome suficiente agua y coma comidas nutritivas.

### MARYKNOLL DIA DE CINE

Regresa con dos películas - Diciembre 7 a las 6:30 estarán presentadas 2 películas El día de los Muertos y Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. Unase a Roberto Alcaraz y Leticia Vasquez recorriendo y explorando México en como el día de los muertos es celebrado y que significa para las vidas de la gente que llaman a México su hogar. Luego continuamos la celebración de Virgen María Reina de las Américas conocida como Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe. Descubra porque María juega un importante parte a la cultura Latina y renueva su Fe. "Las Américas" son viajes a través de ocho países de Latino América, permitiendo los televidentes descubrir de nuevo su cultura histórica, espiritual y tradicional. Roberto y Leticia viajaron por sitios sagrados, y observaron celebraciones, procesiones, comidas y vestuarios en los países como México, Guatemala, Bolivia, Perú, Venezuela, Puerto Rico y Cuba