



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

February 9 - February 15

Mon.	8:30	Lynn Wilson †
Tues.	8:30	Norma Figone †
Wed.	8:30	Jane Dalition & Linda Dalition Adanalian †
Thurs.	8:30	Carmella Chellemi (L)
Fri.	6:30 8:30	Yolanda Plut (L) Eda Ronzoni †
Sat.	8:30 5:00	Carmella Chellemi (L) Jane Dalition & Linda Dalition Adanalian †
Sun.	7:30 5:00	Kay McCleary † Arthur Gialdini †

Rest in Peace

Alice Rossi & Bill Lutke

Sick Relatives and Friends

Please remember in your prayers: Joe Vassallo, Bob Cook, Lisa Porter, John Meany, Barbara Peters, Yolanda Plut, Carmella Chellemi, Carmen Esquivel, Jim Mason, and Louise DeBarbrie.

Are you are ill or homebound? Would you like members of the parish to pray for you? Do you know of someone who is, and would like to receive the Eucharist? Contact Kathy Fagliano at 591-7349 ext. 28.

Sacramental Giving

Weekend Offering ~ \$11,012.50

Parish Education ~ \$2,788

Thank-you!

Stewardship by the Book: Like St. Paul in the second reading, the good steward can say, "I do all that I do for the sake of the Gospel in the hope of having a share in its blessings."



Operation Rice Bowl is coming to St. Charles Lent 2009!

We'll have a speaker from Catholic Relief Services speak at all Masses on Feb 14/15. Come hear about it and receive your materials to use during Lent...this is a community effort for parishioners of every age! To read more and see videos about it, go to: www.orb.crs.org.

Do you have Celiac disease? Do you know someone who does and does not receive Communion because of it? Please contact Sandi Trembley at 591-7349 x 26 for more information.

FAITH FORMATION

K-5th Grade Reminder: There are NO religious Education classes Sunday & Monday, February 15th & 16th due to San Carlos Schools Presidents' Week. Classes will resume the following Sunday & Monday, February 22nd & 23rd.

Altar Server Training for Public School Students

March 4 and March 11, from 1:30 pm until 3:00 pm, in the Church. Child must be at least in the 4th grade, a regularly worshipping member of the parish, and received the sacraments of First Communion and Reconciliation.

For more information and registration call Nancy Farrant, 591-7349, ex. 27.

St. Charles welcomes its newest member
through the waters of Baptism:

Brian Christopher Ortega-Vandenbroeck

AN INVITATION TO JOIN THE CHURCH

Do you have questions about the Catholic Faith? Are you searching for a deeper relationship with God? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) dates back to the earliest days of Christian communities when all members shared their faith with newcomers as a way of teaching them about the new life. This process welcomes anyone who has a desire to learn more about the Catholic Church, baptized or unbaptized, active members in other Christian denominations, or without religious training. If you are interested join us after the 9:00 Mass in the St. Charles Room. For information on the RCIA program contact: Linda Burns @ 576-3105, or Nancy Farrant @ 591-7349 ext. 27.

What is Your Catholic IQ?

1. The prayer traditionally prayed at 6:00 AM, 12 Noon, and 6:00 PM is the _____. (a) Regina Coeli; (b) Agnus Dei; (c) Pluribus; (d) Angelus
2. Which of the following is a Corporal Work of Mercy?
(a) Carry your cross (b) Comfort the sorrowful; (c) bear wrongs patiently; (d) clothe the naked
3. What four letters are the initials for the Latin title that Pontius Pilate had written over the head of Jesus on the cross?
(a) RCIA (b) INRI (c) AMDG (d) PHLM
4. Which feast is celebrated on February 3? (a) St. Blaise (b) Ground Hog's Day (c) the Presentation of the Lord (d) St. Turibus

Look for the answers in next weekend's bulletin!

Answers to last weekend's Catholic IQ questions

1. During tough economic times, people can ask for the intercession of (c) *Matthew*
2. According to the Catechism of the Catholic Church, which of the following form a "single sacred deposit of the Word of God? (a) *Tradition and Scripture*
3. Rites celebrated with catechumens on the third, fourth, and fifth Sundays of Lent are called the (c) *Scrutinies*
4. The Christian family can be referred to as the (a) *Domestic Church*



Crocodile Dock:

Where Fearless Kids Shine God's Light

Mark your calendar:

Scripture Camp 2009 will be held June 15-19

Camp is for all St. Charles parish children who have completed kindergarten through 4th grade. Children in our parish who have completed 6th grade and older are eligible to be junior leaders. Registration paperwork will be distributed through our Religious Education Program and St. Charles School the first week in April. Campers are registered in the order received. Camp registration will not be on-line.

Adults wanting to volunteer should contact Allison Stastny at 369-2866 or astastny1@aol.com.

An opportunity close to home for the season of Lent to "learn and to pray" in a small - group setting.

When people come together in goodwill to learn and to pray with the Word of God, graces and blessings that come our way are ever so surprising. As we walk towards the Resurrection during the time of Lent, we receive understanding and strength in fellowship with believers in Christ Jesus.

Date: Starting, Tuesday, February 17th, and continuing for seven consecutive weeks, ending March 31st.

Time: 10:00am until 12:00noon

Place: Home in San Carlos

For information contact

Helene Koenig, Coordinator at 650-592-4793

Transforming Grief is a day of spiritual retreat for those who are grieving the death of a loved one. It is being offered by Barbara Elordi, Ministry of Consolation Coordinator for the Archdiocese on Saturday, March 7th at St. Gabriel Church from 9:30am—2:30pm. Please call Barbara to register: 415.614.5506

Fall Prevention Classes

Dates:

Fridays, February 27 – March 27

Time:

10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Location:

Sequoia Hospital Health & Wellness Center

749 Brewster Avenue

Redwood City

Cost: FREE

To register or for more information, call (650) 367-5998

This **FREE** five-week class series is brought to you by Sequoia Hospital Health & Wellness Center. During each class, we will discuss key risk factors for falls and how to reduce these risks. Each class also includes simple exercises designed to help increase balance, strength, and coordination for fall prevention. Come prepared to exercise both your mind and body.

Come Build Hope In Mexico

Calling all High School aged teens in St. Charles Parish. The dates are set for the 2009 Mexico Mission Trip, they are June 22-28. The next meeting is March 4, 7:15pm, Borromeo Hall.

Applications are on-line on the Parish website www.stcharlesparish.org. **Applications must be turned into the Parish office by February 27.** We are also accepting applications for Interns (under 25 yrs old), and Adult leaders. Questions?

Contact Mission Trip Leader Kevin Holden at (650) 594-0361 or stcharlesangels@aol.com.

ICF CORNED BEEF AND CABBAGE DINNER

Mark you calendars for Saturday evening, March 7th. That's the date of the Italian Catholic Federation's (ICF) very popular Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner Social held in Borromeo Hall. A flyer containing all the details is available on the tables at the doors of the church. This event is the main fund-raiser for the I.C.F.'s charitable programs which include awarding tuition-assistance scholarships to deserving eighth grade students graduating from St. Charles School and Religious Ed classes, who intend to enroll in a Catholic High School.

Get in the mood for the upcoming St. Patrick's holiday by being present at this delicious dinner and make it even better by coming with a group of your friends! (Groups of 8 or more can reserve individual tables). Paid reservations must be sent to Barbara Borra, 908 Bauer Drive, San Carlos, CA 94070 by March 1st. Have questions? Call Barbara at 593-4118. To avoid any disappointment, we recommend you make your reservation early. We hope our parishioners will help us make this a very successful evening by attending individually or in groups.

Sacro Costato Missionary Sisters Celebrate 100 years

of the founding of their congregation at the 9:00am Mass, St. Catherine Church, Burlingame, Sunday, Feb. 15, 2009. You are invited to join the St. Catherine's Community. Bishop John Wester will be the main celebrant. Special guests from Rome include MSC Superior General Mother Fides Sebis and Sr. Enza Maria, former principal of St. Catherine School.



The Daughters of St. Paul invite you to mark your calendars and join them for the following event:

February 11th at 7:00pm

Continue to celebrate the Pauline Year with a Faith & Film Night sponsored by the Daughters of St. Paul. The evening will include a brief introduction to the excellent film dramatization, *St. Paul*, excerpts of the film, and follow-up discussion. Join the sisters for an enjoyable evening of movie and fellowship. For more information call Pauline Books & Media, 2640 Broadway, Redwood City, 94062. (650) 369-4230.

A Lifeline for Marriage - Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. It will give you the opportunity to rediscover each other and examine your lives together in a new and positive way. This program has helped tens of thousands of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about or to register for the March program beginning with a weekend on March 6-8, 2009, call 415-893-1005 or visit the website at www.HelpOurMarriage.com. (*Available in Spanish*)

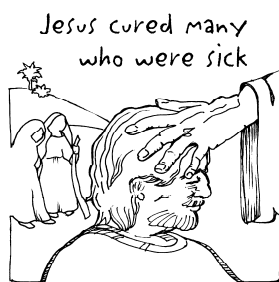
Upcoming Events

Feb. 9	Religious Ed, 3:30pm
Feb. 10	1st Communion Parents Presentation Meeting, 7:00pm, Borromeo Hall Consolation Ministry, 7:00pm, Chapel
Feb. 11	Children's Choir Rehearsal, 3:15pm, Church
Feb. 12	St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, 7:30, St. Charles Room Adult Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm, Church
Feb. 13	Baptism Preparation Class, 7:30pm, St. Charles Room
Feb. 15	RCIA, 10:00am, St. Charles Room (No Religious Ed today)

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

[The LORD] tells the number of the stars
and calls them by name.

— Psalm 147.



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TIRELESS DISCIPLESHIP

The Gospel of Mark, unlike those of Matthew and Luke, has no infancy narrative, nor does it have a lengthy prologue to introduce it, as John's Gospel does. In Mark's account, one could say, Jesus hits the ground running. The stories we've been hearing these weeks come from the very first chapter of Mark, and they show us the public ministry of Jesus in its infancy. Today's account shows some of the strain or adjustment of his new life of preaching the reign of God, healing the sick, and casting out demons. Notice that after sunset, when darkness ended the workday, people brought the sick and possessed to Jesus. The following day he rose before dawn to get away by himself to pray, but to no avail. Simon Peter and the others don't just look for him, they pursue him, filled with the fervor that his ministry has incited. With the self-sacrificing example he gave until the end of his earthly life, he tells his followers that this is his whole purpose. Through Mark, he is also telling the early church, and he is telling us, that this is our purpose, our vocation: to be tireless in our pursuit of proclaiming the Good News, and in bringing the healing, reconciling touch of Christ to the world.

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