



**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

July 6 ~ July 12

Mon.	8:30	Bob Varni †
Tues.	8:30	Jeffrey Keller (L)
Wed.	8:30	Tommy Young †
Thurs.	8:30	Alfredo Bon †
Fri.	6:30	Pietro Caturegli †
	8:30	Daniel Ansaldi †
Sat.	8:30	Rose Rusconi †
	5:00	Libby DeMarchena †
Sun.	7:30	Souls in Purgatory †
	5:00	Louis Pace †

Please pray for the faithful departed of our St. Charles Community.

***Sick Relatives and Friends***

Please remember in your prayers: Jackie Robinson, Ibrahim Abedrabbo. Esther Hilferty, Dawn Crecy, Christine Zika, Joe Vassallo, Barbara Peters, Yolanda Plut, Carmella Chellemi, Carmen Esquivel, Jim Mason, and Lois Clausen.

*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 ~ \$9,483.50

Peter's Pence ~ \$1,607

***Thank you***

**This weekend's second collection will benefit Parish Education.**

**Stewardship by the Book:** This weekend as we celebrate the Independence of our country, we will do well to echo the Psalmist, saying, "Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy." May we always recognize and use wisely the gifts of freedom and abundance He has showered upon us.



**Looking for a way to share your time and talents??**

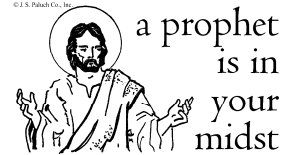
Hospitality Ministry needs you! Please contact Michelle Baeza 591-7349 ext 34 if you are interested in co-leading this important community ministry.

**We are looking for more young people for the Youth Ensemble.**

The Youth Ensemble sings at the Sunday 5:00pm Mass. They will be singing throughout the summer except for a few short vacations.

If you would like information about this group or any of the music groups please contact Claire at 591-7349 or [CGiovannetti@stcharlesparish.org](mailto:CGiovannetti@stcharlesparish.org).

**FAITH FORMATION**



***Our Children Need You!***

Please help us teach our children about Jesus. This ministry helps not only the children to know and love Jesus, but also helps you to know, and love the Lord more and more each day. We need teachers and assistants in grades K-5, both on Sunday mornings, and Monday afternoons. Choose a day that works best for you. We will provide the necessary training to start.

Do you feel your faith lacking sometimes? One way to give yourself a spiritual boost is to give back to the community, to God's most precious ones, the children. If you feel you have a gift, or need a spiritual lift, please call Nancy or Michelle at 591-7349. **"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations...teaching to observe all that I have commanded you..."** (Mt. 28:19-20)

**SCHEDULE**

**BASIC CATECHIST FORMATION**

The Parish Catechetical Leaders of Deanery 11 (Southern San Mateo County) are pleased to present four workshops for new and experienced catechists. These sessions offer credit for certification and recertification. The sessions will be held two different days and at different locations to accommodate busy schedules.

Saturday 10 - 11:30am	Topic/Presenter	Tuesday 7 - 8:30pm
8/08/09	<b>Finding God in all Things.</b> (Victor Baldez)	8/11/09 St. Pius, RWC
8/15/09	<b>Actively Engaging Children</b> (Sabrina Spence)	8/18/09 St. Pius, RWC
8/22/09 St. Charles, SC	<b>Feast Days and Prayers with Children of All Ages</b> (Nancy Farrant)	8/19/08 St. Matthias, RWC
8/29/09 St. Charles, SC	<b>What's the Big Deal about Mass? Liturgy and How we Worship</b> (Sr. Celeste Arbuckle, SSS)	9/01/09 St. Matthias, RWC

**Contact Your Director of Faith Formation or Religious Education to Register or Find out More.**

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

- Roberto Sainez, Jr.
- Ryan Fox Freeburger
- Brooklyn Jean Bruciati
- Dominic James Bruciati
- Finn Martin Earley



### Women's Catholic Scripture Study

This fall, **Women's Catholic Scripture Study** will be studying the book of Genesis. Come join us as we study this book of "beginnings" which is foundational to understanding the rest of Scripture and the life we have as God's people in the Catholic Church. All the great truths that are knit into the fabric of the universe are there for us to comprehend—who God is, who we are, what our problem is, what the solution will be, and how God's untamable, unquenchable, unimaginable Love permeates all human existence. All this unfolds in the dramatic stories of Genesis. Although we may "study" the Bible, ultimately Scripture is a "place of encounter" with God. We welcome women of all ages and from all parishes.

We begin on September 17, 2009 at St. Mark's Parish in Belmont. For more information go to [www.cssbelmont.com](http://www.cssbelmont.com) or contact Christine Fenwick: 650-704-7881 or Tami Palladino@stcharlesparish.org, 650-591-7349 ext. 31.

### Ordinary Time: Summer A Sense of the Season

What do the words Ordinary Time mean? Dorothy Day said, "The words 'Ordinary Time' in our prayer books put me in a state of confusion and irritation. To me, no time is ordinary." She was right. The Ordinary in "Ordinary Time" refers to ordinal—counted—time, not to a lack of something to celebrate. The Roman document, General Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar, says: "Apart from those seasons having their own distinctive character [Advent, Christmastime, Lent, Triduum and Eastertide], 33 or 34 weeks remain in the yearly cycle that do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ. Rather, especially on the Sundays, they are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects." How do we celebrate "the mystery of Christ in all its aspects"? We gather every Sunday. Sunday is our original feast day. Christians have gathered every Sunday—the day of Christ's resurrection, the first day of the week—ever since there were Christians.

When we gather on Sundays in Ordinary Time, as always, we hear the scriptures proclaimed. The church reads straight through "the gospel of the year," either Matthew, Mark or Luke, each week often picking up where we left off last week. (We read John during Lent and Easter, and on feasts.) The first readings, from the first testament of the Bible, have been chosen for their relationship to the gospel passages. Many voices are heard throughout summer Ordinary Time. We also read through some of the letters of the second testament of the Bible. The mystery of Christ "in all its aspects" unfolds.

What is the heart of our Sunday celebration? We do our eucharist; that is, we do our thanksgiving. We praise and thank God for all creation; we pray for the whole world, as we remember Christ's life, death and resurrection. We share the bread and wine, the body and blood. We are sent forth to be the body and blood of Christ in our homes, our workplaces, our neighborhoods, our towns, our cities, our country, our world. "What happens in our churches every Sunday is the fruit of our week. What happens as the fruit of the week past is the beginning of the week to come. Sunday is simultaneously a point of arrival and departure for Christians on their way to the fullness of the kingdom. This is not ordinary at all. This is the fabric of Christian living." (*Saint Andrew Bible Missal [Brooklyn: William J. Hirten Co., 1982.]*)

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**Collecting Items for Rummage Sale for San Mateo Pro-Life Council:** We are collecting items for an upcoming Rummage Sale which will take place Saturday, July 11 from 8:30a.m. to 3:30p.m. Examples of items are clothing for all ages, books, DVDs, VCR tapes, knick-knacks, dishware, pots, etc. Please call Vicki at 365-5718 or Jessica: 572-1468 to arrange for transfer of the items and more information.



The **Light Weigh** group is getting ready to begin the series from the beginning again and would like to invite any interested parishioners to join us. One of our members has lost over 70 lbs. since we started last summer and reports that it was shifting the focus to her prayer life and her relationship with God that brought this dramatic weight loss and peace with food. This is a Catholic spiritual growth program that addresses the root of the weight issue without deprivation or dieting. We meet on Thursday evenings from 7-8 pm in the St. Francis Room.

If interested, contact Tami Palladino: 591-7349 x 31 or [tami@stcharlesparish.org](mailto:tami@stcharlesparish.org). For more information go to [www.lightweigh.com](http://www.lightweigh.com)

*Forbidden fruits create many jams!*



### What is your Catholic IQ

1. Jeremiah responded to God's call by saying "I am too \_\_\_\_\_ (a) old (b) young (c) poor (d) fat
2. Which of the following is not one of the ten plaques mentioned in Exodus? (a) water turned to blood (b) hail (c) snakes (d) locusts
3. In which Marian prayer are found the words "mourning and weeping in this vale of tears? (a) Magnificat (b) Vale de Tearissimo (c) Memorare (d) Hail, Holy Queen
4. The Year of St. Paul will come to a conclusion on which date? (a) June 29, 2009 (b) July 4, 2009 (c) December 31, 2009 (d) January 1, 2010.

*Look for the answers in next weekend's bulletin!*

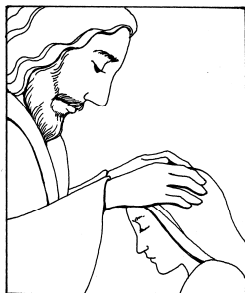
### Answers to last weekend's Catholic IQ

1. Which of the following is a Luminous Mystery of the Rosary? Answer (b) The Transfiguration of Jesus
2. What is the name of the vestment that a deacon wears over the alb and stole? Answer: (c) Unlike a chasuble, which is open from the hands to the floor, a dalmatic has sleeves.
3. On which feast day do Catholics traditionally bring candles to church to be blessed. Answer: (c) February 2, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, is also known as Candlemas.
4. This martyr's name means "gift of God." Answer: (a) Saint Dorothy, martyred in 311 A.D. is the patron of brides, florists, and gardeners. Her feast day is February 6.

## Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

My grace is sufficient for you,  
for power is made perfect in weakness.

2 Corinthians 12:9



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### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** — They shall know that a prophet has been among them (*Ezekiel 2:2-5*).

**Psalm** — Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading for his mercy (*Psalms 123*).

**Second Reading** — I am content with weaknesses and hardships for the sake of Christ (*2 Corinthians 12:7-10*).

**Gospel** — The people said: “Where did this man get all this? Is he not the carpenter, the son of Mary?” (*Mark 6:1-6*).

### OBSTACLES

The prophet Ezekiel, Saint Paul, and the Lord Jesus share something in common in today's scripture readings. They all experience obstacles to their ministry. Ezekiel is summoned to prophesy to the Israelites, who are “[h]ard of face and obstinate of heart” (Ezekiel 2:4). Saint Paul recounts how he has been given a “thorn in the flesh” (2 Corinthians 12:7). The Lord Jesus is unable to perform many signs in his native place. The Gospel tells us that “[he] was amazed at their lack of faith” (Mark 6:6). We, too, sometimes encounter obstacles as we travel along the journey of faith. So often we experience weakness on this journey. Let the words of the Lord to Saint Paul encourage us today: “My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness” (2 Corinthians 12:9).

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*During this “Year for Priests” please pray for our priests that they might always be faithful to their sacred calling.*

Almighty God, in your love  
you bless your Church with priests,  
a sign of your faithfulness to your people.

May our prayerful encouragement,  
during this year and years to come,  
help them remain faithful to the calling  
they have received from you.

As they tend your flock,  
grant them a caring heart.  
In them may we know the voice of Christ,  
our Good Shepherd, who lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God forever and ever.

*Amen.*