



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

September 15 - September 21

Mon.	8:30	Walter & Adele Englert †
Tues.	8:30	Elmer Kurth †
Wed.	8:30	Henry Dingli †
Thurs.	8:30	La Verne Washauer †
Fri.	6:30	-
	8:30	Diane Deering (L)
Sat.	8:30	Alice Formea †
	5:00	Inez Workman & Norma Figone †
Sun.	7:30	Shirley Verdino †
	5:00	Mary O'Riordan †

Please pray for the faithful departed of St. Charles

Sick Relatives and Friends

Please remember in your prayers: John Meany, Dawn Crecy, Barbara Peters, Solly Catiis, Stan Mitchell, Trish Barrett, Yolanda Plut, Carmella Chellemi, Jim Mason, Louise DeBrie, and Carmen Esquivel.

Are you are ill or homebound and 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.

Ministers to the Sick: Please return any pix that you aren't using. Thank you.

Sacramental Giving

Offeratory Collection ~ \$12,169.78
Parish Education ~ \$2,784 ~Thank you!

Priests' Retirement Fund 2008

This Weekend's Second Collection

We are blessed to have 74 retired Archdiocesan priests. Some of them reside in parish rectories, some in retirement homes or assisted living facilities, and some live independently. During active ministry, priests receive a salary, room and board. Once retired, they begin receiving a pension from the Archdiocese reflecting their years of service, along with a small Social Security check. Pension and Social Security together may not equal the amount they earned in active years.

A large number of priests in the Archdiocese are nearing retirement age after 40 to 50 years of active service and ministry. The length of service far exceeds that of most professions. This will place an even greater burden on the Fund. Even though most priests do not retire until the age of 70, they face increasing costs associated with retirement expenses for many years.

Our retired priests rely on this Fund as they live their twilight years in selfless service. Your support is critical! Thank you.

Stewardship by the Book: *Jesus sacrificed everything, accepting a humiliating death on the cross, sharing with us the gift of salvation. We too are called to give "until it hurts" to those in need.*

Outreach to our Sister Parish

Next weekend we will continue our outreach to St. Francis of Assisi, our sister parish. We'll be collecting donations of non-perishable food, paper products and toiletries after the Sunday morning Masses. Thank you for your continuing support of our East Palo Alto neighbors.

Faith Formation

Sunday September 21, 2008

We are called to

Celebrate Catechetical Sunday.

This year's theme is "*The Word of God in the Life and Mission of the Church.*" The blessing of all catechists will be celebrated at the 9:00am, Family Mass. Thank you to all those that responded to the call of this ministry. We are still in need of assistants on Sundays and catechists on Mondays. Consider the following as you consider this very important ministry.

Top Reasons to Become a Catechist

1. You will grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen your relationship with Jesus.
2. Your baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry.
3. Children, teens, and adults in today's world, more than ever, need to hear the Good News of Jesus.
4. You show your own family that you value religious education.
5. You have much to share with those you'll teach and you'll have opportunities to share faith with other catechists.
6. Today's catechetical textbooks/resources offer outstanding support.
7. You'll be challenged, you'll have fun, and you'll make new friends.
8. You'll be helping people deepen their relationship with Jesus (*be evangelizing!*)
9. You'll be handing on a 2000-year-old Tradition that changes lives.
10. It's our job: Jesus sent us to "go and teach all nations".

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

If you are a new family in the parish with children we welcome you to register your child or children in religious formation. The Kindergarten through 5th grade meets either on Sunday morning from 10:15am until 11:15am or on Mondays in the afternoon from 3:30pm until 4:30pm. Registration forms are at all the entrances of the church. Please complete the forms and either return them to the parish office or mail them in. "**The Edge**" is our **Middle School Program** and includes 6th grade through 8th grade. The Edge meets on Monday nights. Our **First Communion** and **First Reconciliation** program is for children who are at least in the 2nd grade or older and have completed one year of religious education. High School students who are interested in becoming fully initiated in the Catholic Church through the sacrament of **Confirmation** or are interested in other high school opportunities may contact Tami Palladino, at 591-7349 x 31. For registration information contact Barbara O'Rourke, at Barbara@stcharlesparish.org, or call 591-7349 x 34.

CHARLIE'S ANGELS COUNCIL:** First meeting of this school year: **Sunday, Sept 14, 2:30-4:30 pm, St. Francis Room. All parish teens/adults are welcome to this meeting. If you think you might like to find out more about what Charlie's Angels is all about or if you are already on the Council, this meeting is for YOU. For more information contact Tami at (650) 591-7349 x32 or tami@stcharlesparish.org or check out our website: www.stcharlesparish.org/youth_min.

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

Margaret Maeve Forrest
Gianna Marie Beltramo

Upcoming Events

Sept. 14	Catechetical Inservice, 10:00am, Borromeo Hall
Sept. 15	School Liturgy, "Respect for All", 8:30am, Church
Sept. 16	Consolation Ministry, 7:00pm, Chapel ICF Meeting, 7:00pm, Borromeo Hall CII Parent/Candidate Mtg, 7:30pm, Church
Sept. 17	Children's Choir Rehearsal, 3:15pm, Church WINGS, 7:00pm, Borromeo Hall
Sept. 18	Men's Club Board Mtg., 6:30pm, St. Francis Room Light Weigh Meeting, 7:00pm, St. Francis Room Choir Rehearsal, 7:30pm, Church
Sept. 21	Catechetical Inservice, 10:00am, Borromeo Hall Rite of Welcome & Commitment Mass Confirmation II, 5:00pm, Church

Women's Catholic Scripture Study is just ready to start lesson one of our overview of the Bible using the book, *Understanding the Scriptures: A Complete Course in Bible Study* by Scott Hahn. It's not too late to join us! We meet Thursday mornings, 10-12 am. If you are interested, please contact Tami Palladino: tami@stcharlesparish.org or 591-7349 x31.



The *Light Weigh* is starting again!

This next 12 week session starts on Sept 18 and continues on Thursday evenings, 7 pm in the St. Francis Room. Learn how to finally have peace with food. Contact Tami Palladino at 650-591-7349 x31 or tami@stcharlesparish.org.

Help One Child Ministry Orientation Wednesday, Sept. 24, 7:00-9:00 p.m., Fireside Room Trinity Presbyterian Church, 1106 Alameda de las Pulgas, San Carlos. Has God been nudging your heart to open your home to a foster child or help someone who has? Are you caring for someone else's child either through foster care or adoption? Representatives from Help One Child, a local "hands-on" Christian ministry will be speaking about its free services tailored for foster and adoptive families that include guidance in licensing or certification, respite care, support, special education and volunteer service. Did you know that one child per day enters foster care in San Mateo County? Of those, almost 40% will be pulled away from all that is familiar to them and placed elsewhere in the state due to a lack of available foster homes. Find out how your family or small group can make a difference in the life of a child in your local community. All are welcome! Please RSVP to Judy at (888) KID-HOPE. Visit www.helponechild.org.

The Daughters of St. Paul invite you to mark your calendars and join them for the following event: **Oct. 2nd** (Thursday evening at 7:00 PM.) Pauline Books & Media will host Michael McDevitt, well known retreat leader, speaker and author who will present his new book: *The Unseen Power of Prayer*. The evening promises to be an enriching experience for anyone who desires to grow in deeper relationship with God, to find God in ordinary events of daily life and to develop a richer prayer life. (2640 Broadway, Redwood City, CA. For more information call (650) 369-4230.

An opportunity close to home during this year dedicated to **St. Paul to pray and to learn** together as we read our way through the **Book of Acts** for seven Tuesdays, starting, September 16th, 10:00am-12:00pm. For information contact Helen Koenig (Coordinator) at (650) 592-4793.

Little Angels

Little Angels preschool liturgy gathers **Sundays at 9:00am** on a drop-in basis for children ages 3-5. Children sing, pray, hear Bible stories, and do art projects with a staff of dedicated teachers and assistants. Little Angels meets in the Extended Day Care room in the Upper Hall of the school. Please contact Maureen Smith at 592-6709 or email mosmithx@gmail.com for more information about this great parish program.

St. Charles Fall Festival

"Raise the Roof" T-Shirts"

Show your Parish Spirit!!!

T-shirt order forms are available at the entrances of the Church. (Youth and adult sizes). **All orders MUST be received by Thursday Sept. 18th. No exceptions.** Please return your check and order form to the school office or rectory office. For questions, please contact Donna Matsu at 650-592-2372 or matsu@makenacap.com. Order your t-shirt today! Don't miss out!!!

St. Vincent de Paul Society Bundle Sunday, October 28th

This is your opportunity to donate your useable household items to help those in need. Our St. Charles Conference members will be collecting your donations before and after all Masses the weekend of September 28. Items needed are: clothing, books, kitchen items, small appliances, electronic devices and "bric-a-brac." **For larger items such as furniture, please call our dispatch office at 650-871-6844 to arrange for a home pick-up. Please take advantage of this occasion to help us help others.**

Restorative Justice & Catholic Social Thought

Please join us for a free event on Restorative Justice and Catholic Social Thought featuring Kurt M. Denk, S.J., Associated Chaplain of San Quentin Prison at noon on Friday, September 19th at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 300 Fulton Street (at James) in Redwood City. This will be a thoughtful discussion of a positive approach to justice for our community. It is jointly sponsored by the Office of Public Policy and Social Concerns, Archdiocese of San Francisco and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of San Mateo County. A free bag lunch will be provided following the talk to those who RSVP to SVdP's Restorative Justice Ministry at (650) 373-0637.

The Social Justice Committee of St. Matthias invites you to the presentation of the League of Women Voters and discussion of the 2008 November election, on **Monday, October 6th at 7:30pm.** St. Matthias is located at 1685 Cordilleras Road, Redwood City.

Run the Golden Gate Bridge and help a child beat cancer. Whether you're a runner or walker you can join the US Half Marathon St. Jude Heroes team and be a hero to a child! As a St. Jude Hero, you will receive a personal web page, E-newsletters with St. Jude patient stories, fundraising and training tips, and have access to the St. Jude Heroes hospitality area before and after the race. While you're pushing yourself to cross the finish line, you can help the kids at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital fight their own marathon battle against cancer. As a Hero, you can help St. Jude in its mission of finding cures and saving children. To register or for more information, please call (800) 701-4443 or visit www.stjudeheroes.org.

WIDOWED, SEPARATED & DIVORCED WEEKEND

October 24 thru October 26, 2008 at Vallombrosa Retreat Center in Menlo Park. For information, call LaVerne (650) 355-3978, Ward (415) 821-3390, Helen (415)388-9651 or Ana (408) 988-4957 or see our website: www.geocities.com/sanjosebe/



October 3rd, 4th and 5th

This is the Parish's largest fundraiser, with ALL of the proceeds going into the Parish general fund, to cover maintenance, religious study programs, hospitality events and much more. Just like last year, primary volunteering will be handled through our web registration system,

EVENT INFORMATION

Thursday, Oct. 2, 3pm - 9pm
Booth Set-up

Friday, Oct. 3, 3pm - 9pm
Festival Opens

Saturday, Oct. 4, 2pm - 9pm
Pasta Dinner, 4-8pm

Sunday, Oct. 5, 2pm - 8 pm
BBQ Dinner 3-7pm

Monday, Oct. 6, 8am - Done
Tear Down & Cleanup

SECURITY: Calling all current or retired peace officers! We are looking for people to help with security during the event. If you want to spend a few hours walking a short beat, please contact Matt Ernshaw at (650) 595-0532.

DIME TOSS: Still the same great price!! Kids love the DIME TOSS!!! Adults? Well.., they love it in another way. Please gather all those glasses, mugs, vases, etc., that you have around your home (and wish you didn't) and drop them off at the patio area behind the Rectory! This booth raises about \$1800 each year. And each year we run out of glassware.

Baked Goods: We need all types of baked goods for our Cake Booth. Please drop your wrapped creation off directly to the Cake Booth or leave it in the upper hall kitchen.

Booth Volunteers: to run the booth attractions (usually two hour shifts, very flexible with times and booths).

Go to www.stcharlesparish.org
(Password "tamarack") for details

Booth Sponsors: In order to make the Festival a success for the entire Parish, booth sponsorship is essential. Booth sponsors receive signage at a booth, a tax deductible donation, two free dinner passes and pride of knowing you were instrumental in the Festival's success. Contact Steve Divney at 650.802.8468 to sign up as a sponsor.

Contact Chris Guslani at 650-315-8494 or Terry O'Rourke at 650-591-6301 to lend a helping hand. Your donations of time and effort are greatly appreciated!!