

## THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

April 12, 2009

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR OCTAVE OF EASTER

- Mon** 7AM Souls in Purgatory  
9AM Kaitlyn Keaney, *living*
- Tue** 7AM Fallen Oakland Police Officers  
9AM Fr. Adalbert Gluszek
- Wed** 7AM Kevin Hutchinson  
9AM Mary King
- Thu** 7AM Cincotta & Lazio Families, *living*  
9AM Kenneth Fahy
- Fri** 7AM Government Officials, *living*  
9AM Sr. Veronica Gannon
- Sat** 7AM Special Intentions  
9AM Policemen, Firemen, & Paramedics, *living*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Lorenzo Acciai, Marco Balistreri, MaryAnn Bellia, Bertha, Beverly, Joseph Calleja, Patricia Cane, Charles, Elizabeth Crowley, Bill & Vladia Cutler, Dick Degan, Doris Doty, Doug, Msgr. Bruce Dreier, Nanette Duffy, Ed, Luke Duval, Faith Gillis, Taro Hart, Rosemarie Hayes, Michelle Hufford, Eleanor Jean, Joseph, Germaine Khohayting, Karla Kincade, Jan Lamphere, Grace Lawrence, Frank Lucas, Manda Masse, Warren McGuire, Richard Mogas, Monte Maroevich, Tony, Valerie Milroy, Marie Palleschi, Mark Piatti, Joe Popovich, Stephanie, Steve Schlesselmann, Paul Smith, Rose Tannlund, Tim, Elizabeth Ward, Sibeal Whitty, Camilla Wolfe.

### ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

Assessed Goal: \$65,200.  
Received: \$46,159.

**Thanks to all who have contributed.  
Together, we can reach our goal.**

### STEWARDSHIP – A WAY OF LIFE

Weekly Goal: \$ 5,200  
Weekly Average: \$ 4,625

Alleluia! Christ is risen and is victorious over sin and death! We are good stewards of our faith if, like St. Paul, we share this good news whenever and wherever we can.

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

- MON** Life in Christ Series today – 9:30am Hall  
NO CYG Classes: Easter Vacation
- TUE** Scripture Class – Parish Hall – 9:30am
- WED** NO Parish School of Religion (PSR) Classes  
Easter Vacation
- THUR** Young at Heart Board Meeting - 9:30am

### OUR DEEPEST THANKS

**TO THOSE WHO HAVE DONATED THE FLOWERS  
FOR EASTER IN MEMORY OR IN HONOR  
OF RELATIVES AND FRIENDS.**

M/M Henry Abraham	Ronald Baccei
Catherine Bain	Margaret Bartley
M/M Ray Beghetti	M/M John Bessolo
Elvira Bigotta	Ann Marie Bledsoe
Estelle Boyer	Angela Brown
M/M Ed Buel	M/M Robt Burke
Denise Carrade	M.M Marvin Cerruti
M/M Scott Chapman	M/M A. Chattan
Angela Cincotta	Stephanie Cincotta
C. Collins	M/M Doug Connor
M/M Leo Costello	Rosalie Courreges
William Crawford	M/M Richard Degan
Helen Derham	Madeline Duffy
Carla Elkins	Victoria Evans
Anna Fitch	M/M Robt Forsland
Vera Gaudiani	M/M John Geissberger
M/m Lou Geissberger	Rose Glascock
Marako Graf	M/M Rex Hale
M/M Tom Harriman	M/M Don Harrington
M/M John Heilmann	Ann Holzheiser
Olga Katanics	William Kast
James King	David Korzec
M/M Don Kreps	M/M Don La Bash
M/M Joseph Lampe	T. Nancy Lampe
Patricia Leahy	Carmen Lewis
M/M Martin Lion	Dolly Mac Donald
M/M Albert Massucco	M/M. Warren McGuire
M/M Anthony Novacic	Madeline O'Brien
Estelle O'Donnell	Corinne Pelfini
M/M Arnold Piatti	Lidia Pringle
Colleen Rettig	Peter Roche
Nancy Ruiz	M/M N. Schoenstein
Rosellen Staats	Daniel Smith
M/M Paul Smith	Mary Rocha
M/M Richard Sweeny	Muriel Tarrant
M/M M. Threadgill	Bernice Treleven
Thomas Trimble	L. S. Truce
Parbara Wakida	Edith Walsh
Dick Ward	Jeannette Weiss
M/M Ken Wilson	Mrs R. Martin
Lorraine Wolff	

**Please pray for our young people  
who are preparing to receive  
the Sacrament of Confirmation here  
from Archbishop Niederauer on the 18<sup>th</sup> of April.**

<b>Jeffrey Arnold</b>	<b>Spenser Harris</b>
<b>Andrew Cresalia</b>	<b>Kayla Kaufman</b>
<b>Nicholas Elsbree</b>	<b>Annie Maguire</b>
<b>Grace Filipski</b>	<b>Kelley Nekota</b>
<b>Jackie Gallegioni</b>	<b>Lucian Traverso</b>

#### **SAINT SEBASTIAN'S BIBLE CAMP**

Bible Camp is planned for the week of August 10-15<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm – 5:30 pm here at St. Sebastian's. Activities include Scripture study, catechesis, Eucharistic Adoration, along with related crafts, games, music, and snack time. The week will conclude with Mass and BBQ for all. To pre-register or for more information, please contact Marian Previtali at 479-5316 or Celeste Chapman at 789-9627.

Pre-registration forms will be available in the pews beginning Easter weekend and may be returned in the collection baskets.

#### **JOIN YOUNG AT HEART'S "UP ON THE ROOF" TOUR**

**Wednesday May 20**

Bus leaves St. Sebastian's at 9am and returns at 5pm.

We'll visit St. Francis Hotel, Crocker Rooftop Park on Wells Fargo Bank, Yerba Buena Gardens, (Carousel available if you wish to ride it), Hines Building Rooftop Garden, Embarcadero Center 1, Fairmont Hotel Rooftop Garden.

Midway through the tour, lunch will be at Pompei's Gardens. Deadline for reservation or refund is May 13. Call Rosellen 461-9003 or Barbara at 461-2735.

#### **MEDJUGORJE VIDEOS ON LOCAL CHANNEL 26**

Comcast channel 26 in Marin has begun broadcasting a series of 56 half-hour videos which were filmed in Medjugorje; a new video about the reports of Marian Apparitions each Monday at 7pm.

**Our New Parish Website  
[www.sebastian94904.com](http://www.sebastian94904.com)**

#### **TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION**

The Paschal Mystery is the key to our Christian Faith: the dying and rising of Jesus that is the pattern of our life. In their first steps on the road of faith, the catechumens feel the cross of glory traced over their eyes, on their lips, across their shoulders, on their ears, over their heart, and on their feet. The mystery is that even death gives way to life for those who are held in the embrace of Jesus.

Today, many new Christians arise from the waters of the Baptismal font. Yet the font is not the destination of their journey. The goal is Pentecost, fifty days from now, and a lifetime of praise to the Father, in Christ, in the embrace of the Holy Spirit, for the sake of the world. "Neophyte," the ancient word for newly-baptized people, means "newly-planted" in Greek. If you know someone who has just been baptized, welcome them today. The smiles on their faces and the light in their eyes is a foretaste of heaven.

#### **WORD OF LIFE**

We have great hope in the Lord's power to heal our land of the painful wound of legalized abortion. Every abortion is a personal tragedy. Its dread impact falls not only on a little boy or a little girl, but on the child's parents, grandparents, siblings and everyone involved. Knowing that God's mercy is greater than all of our sins, tonight we pray for all these people.

We pray for the conversion of all those who promote death as a solution to social ills or to an unplanned pregnancy. We pray for legislators, educators, counselors, and all health care professionals who put their skills and training at the service of life. We lift up Project Rachel and other post-abortion counseling ministries, pro-life pregnancy centers, and organizations that work every day to usher in a culture of life.

*—Cardinal Justin Rigali*

#### **"TRANSFORMING GRIEF" RETREAT**

A spiritual day of retreat for all Marin parishioners who are grieving the loss of a loved one will be held next Sat. April 18 from 9:30am-2:30pm at St. Anselm's McDonald Conference Center located in the school's parking lot on Richmond Ave.

Eucharistic Liturgy will be a part of the day.  
Donation \$10. Please bring a brown-bag lunch.  
More info call Barbara at 415-614-5506.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AT ST. SEBASTIAN'S  
— APRIL 19 —**

Pope John Paul II declared that the Sunday after Easter would henceforth be known as "Divine Mercy Sunday" when he canonized St. Faustina Kowalska in the year 2000.

Our Divine Mercy Novena began on Good Friday and will be prayed at the 3 o'clock hour, along with the Chaplet of Divine Mercy each day this week (except Easter Sunday).

**On April 19 (Divine Mercy Sunday), here at St. Sebastian's from 3 – 4 pm** we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, pray the Chaplet, and have other devotions, along with a talk and veneration of the image of Jesus, the Divine Mercy. A Plenary Indulgence for Divine Mercy Sunday was decreed on Aug. 3, 2002, which people may obtain by confessing their sins near the time of Mercy Sunday, even during one's Lenten preparation for Easter, according to the cardinal of Krakow.

Jesus Himself promised complete forgiveness of sins and punishment on that day, even to the most terrible sinner imaginable. God in His great mercy is giving mankind a last chance for salvation.

**A WORD ABOUT INDULGENCES**

An indulgence is defined as "the remission before God of the temporal punishment due for sins already forgiven as far as their guilt is concerned." The first thing to note is that forgiveness of a sin is *separate* from punishment for the sin. Through sacramental confession we obtain forgiveness, but we aren't let off the hook as far as punishment goes.

Indulgences are of two kinds: partial and plenary. A partial indulgence removes part of the temporal punishment due for sins. A plenary indulgence removes all of it. This punishment may come either in this life, in the form of various sufferings, or in the next life, in purgatory. What we don't get rid of here we suffer there. ... there has never been any way for us to measure how much "good time" [a partial indulgence] represents. All the Church could say, and all it every did say, was that your temporal punishment would be reduced—as God saw fit.

The requirements for a plenary indulgence are tougher than for a partial. ... "it is necessary to perform the work for which the indulgence is attached and to fulfill the following three conditions: sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff. It is further required that all attachment to sin, even venial sin, be absent."

The greatest hurdle is the last. Making a good confession is not particularly difficult, and going to Communion and praying for the pope's intention are easier still. It's being free from all attachment to sin that's hard.

—from *What Catholics Really Believe*, by Karl Keating

**11TH ANNUAL CATHOLIC LOBBY DAY  
Tuesday, April 28, 2009**

Sacramento, CA

March with hundreds of California Catholics to visit our legislators in our State Capitol. \$20. includes transportation, lunch, and materials.

There will be pick-up sites for bus riders in San Francisco and San Bruno.

For information:

(415) 614-5570 or (415) 614-5572  
or email [ribeiro@sfarchdiocese.org](mailto:ribeiro@sfarchdiocese.org)

**PROCLAIM THE RISEN CHRIST**

On Easter morning, everything—the spring weather, the flowers, birds and butterflies, the people around us in their finery, the beautiful liturgy and music—everything seems to bear witness that Jesus Christ is risen today! Like the eyewitness accounts in today's Scriptures, the glorious and joyful life all around us helps us to believe the good news of the Resurrection and sing "Alleluia!" In the Scriptures today we hear from Peter and Paul and John. All three speak with conviction about witnessing the resurrected Christ. John's Gospel account includes Mary of Magdala, who also was privileged to witness the Resurrection and tell others the good news. On this glorious Easter Sunday can we ourselves give witness.