

## 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

June 28, 2009

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

<b>Mon</b>	<b>7AM</b>	<b>Justin Calderon, <i>living</i></b>
	<b>9AM</b>	<b>Claire Gaudiani, <i>living</i> &amp; David Burnett, <i>living</i></b>
<b>Tue</b>	<b>7AM</b>	<b>Thanksgiving</b>
	<b>9AM</b>	<b>Kevin Hutchinson</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>7AM</b>	<b>Tom Lazio</b>
	<b>9AM</b>	<b>R. Martin</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>7AM</b>	<b>Unbelievers</b>
	<b>9AM</b>	<b>Special Intention, <i>living</i></b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>7AM</b>	<b>Souls in Purgatory</b>
	<b>9AM</b>	<b>Phil Calvano &amp; Fam., <i>living</i></b>
<b>Sat</b>	<b>9AM</b>	<b>Duane Snider</b>
		<b>Holiday</b>

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Lorenzo Acciai, Ken Anderson, Marco Balistreri, MaryAnn Bellia, Bertha, Beverly, Joseph Calleja, Patricia Cane, Charles, Yondellan Coleman, Elizabeth Crowley, Bill & Vladia Cutler, Dick Degan, Doris Doty, Doug, Msgr. Bruce Dreier, Nanette Duffy, Ed, Luke Duval, Faith Gillis, Philip Hansen, Eileen Harriman, Taro Hart, Rosemarie Hayes, Michelle Hufford, Joseph, Germaine Khowhayting, Karla Kincade, Jan Lamphere, Frank Lucas, Manda Masse, Warren McGuire, Richard Mogas, M. Maroevich, Tony, Valerie Milroy, Marie Palleschi, Mark Piatti, Joe Popovich, Dr. August T. Rossano, Stephanie, Steve Schlesselmann, Paul Smith, Rose Tannlund, Tim, Elizabeth Ward, Sibeal Whitty, & Camilla Wolfe.

### STEWARDSHIP – A WAY OF LIFE

Last weekend's collection	\$ 3,854.
Weekly goal	\$ 5,200.
Weekly average	\$ 4,578.

### ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

Assessed Goal:	\$65,200.
Received:	\$52,909.

**Donor(s) *this* week:** Mr. & Mrs. John Warner

**129 Families have given, out of 496 registered.**

**We are counting on you!**

Please do your fair share  
for our parish and the archdiocese.

### THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

<b>Mon</b>	<b>"Life in Christ" – Parish Hall – 9:30am</b>
<b>Tues</b>	<b>Scripture Class – Parish Hall – 9:30am</b>

### WE CELEBRATE INDEPENDENCE DAY, BUT WE ARE STILL DEPENDENT ON GOD

APRIL 30, 1863 - President Lincoln's Proclamation:  
*A Day of National Humiliation, Fasting and Prayer*

Whereas, the Senate of the United States, devoutly recognizing the Supreme Authority and just Government of Almighty God, in all the affairs of men and of nations, has, by a resolution, requested the President to designate and set apart a day for National prayer and humiliation.

And whereas it is the duty of nations as well as of men, to own their dependence upon the overruling power of God, to confess their sins and transgressions, in humble sorrow, yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon; and to recognize the sublime truth, announced in the Holy Scriptures and proven by all history, that those nations only are blessed whose God is the Lord. ... may we not justly fear that the awful calamity of civil war, which now desolates the land, may be but a punishment, inflicted upon us, for our presumptuous sins, to the needful end of our national reformation as a whole People?

We have been the recipients of the choicest bounties of Heaven. We have been preserved, these many years, in peace and prosperity. We have grown in numbers, wealth and power, as no other nation has ever grown. But we have forgotten God. We have forgotten the gracious hand which preserved us in peace, and multiplied and enriched and strengthened us; and we have vainly imagined, in the deceitfulness of our hearts, that all these blessings were produced by some superior wisdom and virtue of our own. Intoxicated with unbroken success, we have become too self-sufficient to feel the necessity of redeeming and preserving grace, too proud to pray to the God that made us!

It behooves us then, to humble ourselves before the offended Power, to confess our national sins, and to pray for clemency and forgiveness.

### A PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

In this Year of the Priest, O God,  
we ask Your blessing on those  
You have called to priestly ministry.

May they, above all, be faithful and passionate  
followers of Your beloved Son, Jesus.

May they be compassionate, as Jesus was,  
toward all who seek spiritual comfort  
and forgiveness.

May they open wide their hearts  
to all in need of Your merciful embrace.

May they be teachers, as Jesus was,  
steeped in Your Word and teaching, on fire  
with it, and breaking it open for all who are  
hungry for Your holy and transforming Word.

May they be prophets, as Jesus was,  
speaking courageously for what is right and  
true, proclaiming Your kingdom to all in need  
of Your grace, and giving voice to all Your  
children, especially the poor and marginalized.

May they be prayerful, as Jesus was,  
hearts burning within them and set upon You  
above all.

From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
may they be the voice of praise and thanksgiving,  
and of faith, hope, and love to all in their care.

St. John Vianney, beloved priest of God,  
pray for us and for all your brother priests. Amen.

### POUR OUT YOUR HEARTS TO THE LORD

The Adoration Chapel, located up behind the Altar in our church, is where the Blessed Sacrament is reserved in the tabernacle. You are welcome to drop in and pray there in the Lord's presence during the week. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed for Adoration after our morning Masses while people are present.

The Rosary is prayed for priests three times a week here in our Adoration Chapel. You can always drop in during the day to visit our Lord and pour out your heart to him.

Even if you'd rather pray in the main part of the church, you are still in the presence of the Lord, and are always welcome to make a visit and experience the blessings of basking in His love.

### COMMUNION DURING FLU SEASON

The Office of Worship and the Office of the Archbishop have received many calls recently asking about the status of the liturgical adaptations in effect since May 1st due to the H1N1 influenza (aka "swine flu") outbreak.

- *Suspend offering Holy Communion under both Species.*
- *Holy Communion will be distributed only into the hands of communicants; during this time, Holy Communion will not be distributed on the tongue.*
- *The Sign of Peace should...not involve shaking hands or touching.*
- *People should avoid holding hands during the Lord's Prayer.*
- *All who administer Holy Communion are to wash their hands with an alcohol-based anti-bacterial solution before they administer the Sacrament ...This precaution also extends to those who minister to the homebound.*

No end date for the adaptations has been determined. Although the flu has been mild for most healthy adults, it continues to spread without resistance, and it can be much more severe for certain at-risk people. Just last week the Bay Area learned of the death of 9-year-old Karen Perez of Concord due to this new strain. Yesterday, the World Health Organization Chief, Dr. Margaret Chan, said she was moving the world to Phase 6—the agency's *highest* alert level—which means a pandemic, or global epidemic, is under way.

Nationally, during the one-week period of June 4<sup>th</sup> to June 11<sup>th</sup>, we saw a 35% increase in confirmed and probable cases. The previous week saw a 31% increase. In California, we have seen increases of 12% and 21% in the past two weeks. Archbishop Niederauer has indicated that he will begin to consider lifting the liturgical adaptations when we see the number of confirmed and probable cases decreasing rather than increasing.

We are asked to continue our vigilance and good hygiene practices, especially among the ministers of Communion serving within Mass.



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## OUR FRIENDS, THE SAINTS

This week, the Church recalls the lives of a number of our friends in heaven, beginning on Monday with the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul, two familiar biblical figures who gave their lives for the sake of Jesus Christ and his Church. Our presence here today is related in no small part to their fidelity and sacrifice.

Tuesday has an optional memorial of the First Holy Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church. The Ordo (a book directing the daily liturgical events) says, “Those many Christians who were tortured, crucified, and burned alive in c. 64 in Nero’s gardens on the Vatican Hill are honored today. Both the pagan writer, Tacitus, in his *Annales* (15, 44), and Pope St. Clement I, in his letter to the Corinthians (chapters 5-6), testify to these events.”

Wednesday, July 1, is the optional memorial of Blessed Junípero Serra, O.F.M., a missionary who arrived in 1750 and established nine of the California missions, baptized over 6,000 native peoples. He is recognized as a builder of the state of California. Pope John Paul II referred to him as “an exemplary model of the selfless evangelizer”.

Looking around us, we see countless place names of saints or referring to our faith (eg. San Rafael, San Francisco, Santa Rosa, Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, Merced, Santa Cruz), all of them showing signs that people of faith cared so much that they crossed the oceans and strange lands bearing the treasure of the Gospel. Though some of the explorers exploited the richness of the “New World”, the missionaries brought even greater riches and bestowed them on the peoples who had not yet heard the Good News. And we, too, are the recipients of their sacrifices!

Friday, July 3, the Church celebrates the Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle, one of “The Twelve”. He is credited with founding the Church in south India, and is the patron of builders, India, and Pakistan.

Saturday, July 4, in addition to being a national holiday, is an optional memorial of St. Elizabeth of Portugal, named after her great aunt, St. Elizabeth of Hungary! She’s a patroness of Catholic Charities.

These are our friends and relatives in the faith. May we do our part to pass on the Good News of Christ!