

ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

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AUGUST 29, 2010

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Brothers and sisters: ... you have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and countless angels in festal gathering, and the assembly of the firstborn enrolled in heaven, and God the judge of all, and the spirits of the just made perfect, and Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and the sprinkled blood that speaks more eloquently than that of Abel. —Hebrews 12:22-24a

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening 5 PM
Sundays 7AM, 9AM, & 11AM
Monday - Saturday . 7AM & 9AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays..... 3:30 - 4:30 PM

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR AUG. 30—SEPT. 4

Mon 7AM Poor Souls
9AM Martin, *living*

Tue 7AM Stan & Fran Conway
9AM Ruth Hoffman

Wed 7AM Christina Piatti
9AM R. Martin

Thu 7AM Unbelievers
9AM Marian & Harold Caulfield, *living*

Fri 7AM Lorenzo Alessandria
9AM Drs. Graham & Christina
Burnett & Family, *living*

Sat 7AM Souls in Purgatory
9AM Norma Geissberger

**THANK YOU FOR KEEPING THE FOLLOWING
IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Albert, Andrew, Angela, Bertha, Charles, Doug, Ed, Elizabeth, Erica, Kim, John, Joseph, Kristen, Michael, Patrick, Tony, Stephanie, Tim, Carol Abraham, Lorenzo Acciai, Sally Arango, Nicholas Arenas, Marco Balistreri, Ivy Batmale, Charles Bellia, Chip Block, Madison Bostow, Nicole & Sean Burke, Joseph Calleja, Patricia Cane, Lori Cohen, Yondellan Coleman, Elizabeth Cook, Elizabeth Crowley, Vladia Cutler, Doris Doty, Nanette Duffy, Luke Duval, Faith Gillis, Tom & Eileen Harriman, Taro Hart, Rosemarie Hayes, Chiara Iulucci, Germaine Khohayting, Jeanne Killian, Karla Kincade, Joe Lazor, Manda Masse, Gino Mazzenatto, Warren McGuire, Richard Mogas, Monte Maroevich, Valerie Milroy, Gary Parlapiano, Mark Piatti, Bertha Ponce de Leon, Joe Popovich, Peggy Roth, Steve Schlesselmann, Mary Lou Smith, Paul Smith, Ted Taheny, Rose Tannlund, Larry Ulin, Elizabeth Ward, Sibeal Whitty, & Camilla Wolfe.

STEWARDSHIP BY THE BOOK

In the Gospel today, Jesus warns us not to give in to hopes of repayment, but to give openhandedly to the poor and needy. That sort of giving mirrors the bountiful giving of God, and Jesus assures us it is blessed indeed!

CENACLE OF PRAYER

NEXT SUNDAY

3 to 4pm
Exposition
of the Blessed Sacrament,
Rosary, Meditation, & Benediction
Spend an hour here with Our Lord.



WORD OF LIFE

How we care for an unexpected child, a parent suffering from cognitive impairment, or an infant with a disability does not reflect the degree of *their* humanity, but our *own*. We are as dependent on them as they are on us. There can be no compromise with the standard that Jesus set and continuously calls us to: *The measure of love is to love without measure.*

—USCCB Respect Life Program flyer (2010)

CATHOLIC MARIN BREAKFAST CLUB

Friday, September 3
7am Mass here at St. Sebastian
followed by breakfast down in the Parish Hall.

Speaker: Fr. Bernard J. Bush, S.J., Ph.D.

Father Bush was born in Garberville, California. After elementary school, he attended Bellarmine Prep in San Jose, then entered the California Province of the Society of Jesus. He taught at St. Ignatius High School during his seminary training. Between 1958 and 1962, he frequently visited Alcatraz with the chaplain, Fr. Jim Tupy, S.J. He was ordained in 1965. He earned a Ph.D. in Human Science (Psychology and Theology) from Saybrook Graduate School in San Francisco. He is presently on the staff of the Jesuit Retreat Center in Los Altos, CA, where he gives retreats and serves as a spiritual director, a one-on-one relationship he defines as “serving others as they grow in their relationship with God.” Father Bush promises to tell some great stories about his times at Alcatraz.

Member’s Breakfast: \$7

Visitor’s Breakfast: \$10

**Call 461-0704 from 9am—2:30pm
or sugaremy@aol.com**

STEWARDSHIP

Last weekend \$ 3,995.
Weekly goal \$ 5,200.
Weekly average \$ 4,300.

“AGING IN PLACE”

A Free Community Forum by Marin Center
for Independent Living
and Marin Health and Human Services

When: Wednesday, September 22 at 6:30 - 8pm
Where: Bank of Marin, 501 Sir Francis Drake Blvd.,
Greenbrae

Featured experts will address topics including:
Transportation, Adult Protective Services, Estate
Planning, Trusts, Marin Village, Alzheimer’s
Support, and Hiring a Caregiver/Quickmatch.org

Complimentary Wine, Champagne
and Hors d’oeuvres.

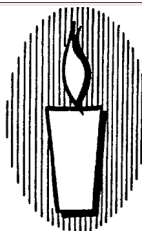
Call today to reserve your space
415-459-6245 ext. 17
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“Empowering Older Adults
and Individuals with Disabilities
to live independently in the community.”

“YOUNG AT HEART” MEETS SEPTEMBER 7

“Young at Heart” has members from all parts of
Marin, Southern Sonoma, and San Francisco. Lunch
and entertainment are scheduled in St. Sebastian’s
Parish Hall usually the first Tuesday of each month.
Great day-trips are offered for your pleasure during
the year, Anyone 55 years or older is hereby invited
to become a member; the annual dues are only \$15/
year, July 1 to June 30.

**Young at Heart meets next month on Tuesday
September 7 in the Parish Hall.
Donna Boyd 453-3383 Denise Carrade 461-0689**



RCIA

Adults interested in becoming
Catholics, or Catholics who want to
receive the Sacraments of Baptism,
Communion, and/or Confirmation are
urged to inquire about the R.C.I.A.
(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults).
Adult Catholics who want to know
more about their religion may also
inquire. Call the Parish Office or ask
Fr. Mark or Fr. Paul after Mass, and perhaps you can
celebrate those Sacraments in the Easter Season!

Catholic Radio ! 24 hours/day



**1260 on your AM dial
immaculate heart radio**
sharing the heart of the Christian faith

OCTOBER 10 PARISH RAFFLE & PICNIC

We hope that you will mark Sunday, October 10, on
your calendar for our upcoming fund-raising raffle
and a Parish Picnic with hamburgers, drinks, potato
salad, macaroni salad, and fun.

There’ll be games for the kids, too.

In addition to the tickets included in our recent
mailing, others may be obtained either through the
Parish Office during office hours, or when we begin
selling them outside Church after Masses.

Already, ticket returns show that this is a popular
event, and you’ll want to be part of this fun fund-
raiser with a chance to win one of the fabulous
prizes!

Please use the “tear-off” below to respond.

Tear-off and return this slip to the Parish Office with your check for \$5/person

R.S.V.P. PARISH BBQ OCTOBER 10, 2010

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

ADULTS ATTENDING _____

CHILDREN ATTENDING _____

ENCLOSED CHECK AMT. _____

THOUGHTS ON TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

“My child, conduct your affairs with humility, and you will be loved more than a giver of gifts. Humble yourself the more, the greater you are, and you will find favor with God.”

Those words from the Book of Sirach are in our first reading today, and the lesson is echoed in our Gospel when Jesus says, “Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted.”

We have all come across “important” people who let their importance be felt, and we have come across quiet, humble people who have been of service to us even when we have not been very “important”.

We have encountered important people who have acted humbly, not as if they were “God’s gift to humanity” but who have not forgotten how to be kind to others.

And we have encountered Jesus, who is God-in-person, but who never acted so “high and mighty” but rather came to serve us all. He lowered himself when he came down from heaven, and because he became the slave of all, God the Father raised him up from the dead, and Jesus is now exalted and sits at the right hand of the Father.

To the extent that people humbly serve others, then, they are acting in a Christ-like manner, whether they be “Christians” or not. And we, who have been baptized into Christ and have met him through the Sacraments and the Gospels should be at the forefront of people who act in a “Christ-like” manner.

Jesus told his apostles very clearly that if they want to be great, they must serve others. At the Last Supper, he got down on the floor and washed their feet, so much so did he want them to realize the seriousness of their calling.

We all enjoy being served and treated well, at restaurants, for instance. But the example that has been given us by Jesus, by our parents, by friends—and even by good waiters and waitresses—is that the greatest people in heaven are those who have humbled themselves to be of service to others.