

ST. SEBASTIAN CHURCH

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SEPTEMBER 12, 2010
24TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

His son said to him,
'Father, I have sinned
against heaven and
against you; I no
longer deserve to be
called your son.'
But his father ordered
his servants,
'Quickly bring the
finest robe and put it
on him; put a ring on
his finger and sandals
on his feet. Take the
fatted calf and
slaughter it. Then let
us celebrate with a
feast, because this son
of mine was dead, and
has come to life again;
he was lost, and has
been found.'



The Return of the Prodigal Son, by Rembrandt

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 SEPTEMBER 13-18

Mon 7AM Poor Souls
9AM William P. Walsh

Tue 7AM Bahia Tawasha
9AM Bell & Tarrant Fam., *living & dec.*

Wed 7AM Edilyn Haddad, *living*
9AM R. Margaret Boyd

Thu 7AM Fran & Stan Conway
9AM Chas Hoffman, *living*

Fri 7AM Angela, *living*
9AM Delia Sarroca

Sat 7AM Fr. Dennis McManus
9AM Rev. Adalbert Gluszek

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, James Harvey, Rosemarie Hayes, Chiara Iulucci, Germaine Khohayting, Jeanne Killian, 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

We can hear God speaking to us today in the words of the father to his elder son, "You are with me always, and everything I have is yours."

What is my response to such remarkable generosity? Do I give as joyfully and generously as God gives to me?

—see Luke 15:31

TODAY IS "COFFEE SUNDAY"

Don't "run off", but be sure to come to the Parish Hall after the 9am or 11am Mass and visit with fellow parishioners who look forward to seeing you there!



"Coffee Sunday" is scheduled for the second Sunday of every month.

REGISTRATION FOR CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Our parish Confirmation Youth Group (CYG) will resume on Monday, Oct 4, 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall. This is a 2-year program of preparation for Confirmation open to youths in 7th grade and older. Mandatory Parent/Pastor night will be Monday Sept. 20, 7pm in the Hall. Email the CYG Coordinator, Dave Previtali (email on front of bulletin) for information, registration forms and calendar.

CONFIRMATION YOUTH GROUP CATECHISTS

We have a very large group this year, and 3 more catechists are needed in addition to the 4 that we already have. CYG meets on Mondays, 7-8:30pm. Each catechist leads a small group of about 7-8 youths in reading and discussing material that the Coordinator provides for the night. You need to be patient and flexible with youths and desire to learn and share the Catholic Faith with them. Contact Dave Previtali stseconfirmation@yahoo.com

FLU SHOTS AVAILABLE HERE: SEPT. 25 & 26

Flu shots will be available here in our Parish Hall after 5pm Mass on Saturday, Sept. 25, and after the Masses on Sunday, Sept. 26th.

The cost will be \$25. and it is necessary that those planning to receive a shot sign-up in advance so that the providers will know how much vaccine to bring.

A sign-up sheet on a clipboard will be in the vestibule of the church, near the Baptismal Font.

Please do register beforehand so that there won't be a shortage.

STEWARDSHIP

Last weekend	\$ 5,329.
Weekly goal	\$ 5,200.
Weekly average	\$ 4,420.

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Tuesday, September 14

This feast celebrates a double anniversary. In Jerusalem, Constantine erected a round church, the Anastasis, above the empty grave of Jesus, and a basilica, the Martyrium; in the square between the two churches, a shrine, Calvarium, marking the place of the crucifixion. Dedicated in 335, they were destroyed by the Persians in 614. The present church of the Holy Sepulcher was built by the Crusaders in 1149. September 14 also commemorates the discovery of the Lord's cross by the empress, St. Helena, in 320.

OUR LADY OF SORROWS

Wednesday, September 15

This memorial follows the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Here are the 7 Sorrows of Our Lady:

1. The prophecy of Simeon.
2. The flight into Egypt.
3. The loss of the Child Jesus in the temple.
4. The meeting of Jesus & Mary on the Way of the Cross.
5. The Crucifixion
6. The taking down of the Body of Jesus from the Cross.
7. The burial of Jesus.

WORD OF LIFE

“Everything in our days—our work, our sufferings, our prayer, our ministries—everything we do and experience is meant to be offered to God as a spiritual sacrifice. All of our work for the unborn child, the poor and the disabled; all of our work for immigration justice and the dignity of marriage and the family: All of it should be offered for the praise and glory of God’s name and for the salvation of our brothers and sisters.”

—Bishop Charles Chaput, Archbishop of Denver, June 24, 2010

OCTOBER 10 PARISH RAFFLE & PICNIC

Mark Sunday, October 10, on your calendar for our 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 outside Church after Masses.

Early 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 cut off the coupon below:

“AGING IN PLACE”

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

When: Wednesday, September 22, 6:30 - 8pm

Where: Bank of Marin, 501 Sir Francis Drake Blvd., Greenbrae

Topics include: Transportation, Adult Protective Services, Estate Planning, Trusts, Marin Village, Alzheimer’s Support, and Hiring a Caregiver.

Complimentary Wine, Champagne
and Hors d’oeuvres.

Call 459-6245 ext. 17 to reserve your space

Kathleen Woodcock

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*“Empowering Older Adults and Individuals with Disabilities
to live independently in the community.”*

✂ Cut-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 GOSPEL

Three times in today's gospel, Jesus tells us that there will be *rejoicing* whenever any of us repents of our sins.

As a shepherd rejoices in finding his lost sheep, Jesus says that there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents.

As a woman who has found a gold coin that she had lost rejoices with her friends upon finding the coin, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God.

As the father, in the story of the prodigal son, throws a party to celebrate his sinful son's return home, so there will be joy in heaven whenever any one of us "comes home" to God through repentance for sin.

Jesus tells these parables so that we will know beyond any doubt that we can always return to God, and there will be joy in heaven when we do so. Our adversary, the devil, does all that he can to keep us enslaved by the emptiness of all that the world offers us, but all the holy angels and saints are interceding for us, and the heavenly banquet awaits us. Let us always remember that heaven is our home.

THE MANHATTAN FORUM CONFERENCE: KEEPING FAITH IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE

On Saturday, September 18, the St. Anthony of Padua Institute is hosting an all-day conference on the challenges facing Catholics, Christians, and all persons of good will in our civic life. There will be four speakers: the Most Rev. Thomas J. Curry, Auxiliary Bishop of Los Angeles; Dr. Francis Beckwith, associate professor of Church/State Studies at Baylor University; Dr. Jennifer Roback Morse, author of *Love and Economics: Why the Laissez-Faire Family Doesn't Work*; and the Most Rev. Allen Vigneron, Archbishop of Detroit. The conference will take place at St. Isidore's Church, 440 La Gonda Way, Danville, CA. Sign-in starts at 8:00am; the Most Rev. Salvatore Cordileone will celebrate Mass at 8:30am, and the first lecture will commence at 10:00am. The event will conclude at 5:00pm. Admission is \$35; lunch is provided for pre-registrants. For more information or to register for the event, call (888) 619-7882 or visit the St. Anthony of Padua Institute on the web at www.sapi.org/mforum.