

# WELCOME TO DIVINE MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH



*"Praise the Lord  
who heals the  
brokenhearted."*

~ Responsorial Psalm 147



5<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
in  
Ordinary Time  
February 5, 2012

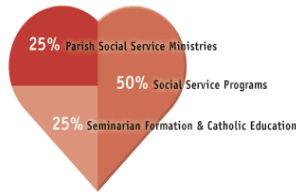
## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS



The **2012 Annual Catholic Appeal** will be held at all Masses next weekend. Last year, our parish contributed \$31,892 to the Appeal. Our 25% parish share of the Appeal was \$7,973, which was used to purchase the Modular Classrooms. This year, we plan to allocate our 25% parish share to

furnish the Modular Classrooms and form a Ministry for the Poor. Please prayerfully consider your gift to assist so many in need. Each and every gift will make a difference in someone's life.

*How your gift will be shared*



Beginning February, our weekday Masses will go back to its regular schedule:

**Monday to Friday**  
8:30 am AND 6:30 pm

**Saturday**  
8:30 am

### DEVOTION TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA



There will be a procession in devotion to Our Lady of Fatima on Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 pm outside the Church. We are inviting everyone to join us as we honor our Blessed Mother and pray together for world peace and an increase in Vocation to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

For more information, please contact Tess Mostajo (916) 285-6351 or Auring Pagala (916) 515-1045.

### TAGALOG MASS



Please join us as we celebrate Tagalog Mass on **FEBRUARY 11<sup>th</sup>** at 6:30 pm (every 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the Month)

**CELEBRANT : FR. ARLON VERGARA**

*~There will be Renewal of Vows for married couples during the Mass~*

Potluck fellowship follows after the Mass. **Sponsors are welcome** to bring your favorite dish to share. If you would like to be a sponsor, please contact **Maricel Lumaquin at (916) 716-7471** or call the **Parish Office at (916) 256-3134**. Sign-up sheet is also available in the narthex.



From The Parish Office . . .

Our Parish Office will be **CLOSED** on Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> for the President's Day Holiday.



Learn more about your Catholic Faith through the *"The School of the Faith"*

### FUNDAMENTALS OF THE FAITH

Wednesdays beginning February 15<sup>th</sup> (for 4 months)  
10:00 am - 12:00 noon

**Instructor** : Fr. Octavio Ventura **Fee** : \$10 for the book

All classes will be held at the Narthex. Sign up sheet and flyers are available in the Narthex. For more information or if you have questions, please call **Mike or Renee Chavez at (916) 928-0684** or email [reenechavez@sbcglobal.net](mailto:reenechavez@sbcglobal.net).



The Knights of Columbus Council 14158 meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month. February meetings will be held on the 7<sup>th</sup> in the narthex and on the 21<sup>st</sup> with the location to be determined.

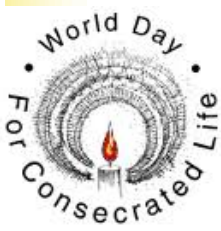
If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, please contact Eric Watson at (916) 419-9940 or Bill Gilsdorf at (916) 285-6067.



### Sportsfest Spring 2012



The Divine Mercy Sportsfest is once again starting to accept registrations for the Spring 2012 season. We are looking for kids, youth and adult basketball and volleyball players. Please see one of the committee members after each Mass or visit the parish website for more information.



In 1997, Pope John Paul II called for consecrated life to be promoted throughout the universal Church. He declared February 2, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, to be observed as *World Day for Consecrated Life (WDCL)*. In the United States, when February 2 is not on a Sunday, we celebrate on the Sunday after the Presentation. **This year WDCL is observed on February 5<sup>th</sup>, the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time.**

The church recognizes several forms of consecrated life, said Father Shawn McKnight, executive director of the Secretariat for Clergy, Consecrated Life and Vocations at the USCCB. "All who embrace the consecrated life promise poverty, chastity and obedience," he said. "Religious priests, sisters and brothers live and pray in community, and they serve the Church in apostolic service or are wholly devoted to contemplation. Members of secular institutes fulfill their promises living within, not apart from, the world. Consecrated virgins, who are consecrated by the diocesan bishop, also serve the Church while remaining within the world, and hermits observe separation from the world in solitude, prayer and penance."

Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.



Sources: [www.serraus.org](http://www.serraus.org) / [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org) / [www.diocese-sacramento.org](http://www.diocese-sacramento.org)

## DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION MINISTRY



Jesus, I trust in You!

### DIVINE MERCY DIARY

#### 3 o'clock Prayers - Their Power

*I remind you, My daughter, that as often as you hear the clock strike the third hour, immerse yourself completely in My mercy, adoring and glorifying it; invoke its omnipotence for the whole world, and particularly for poor sinners; for at that moment mercy was opened wide for every soul. In this hour you can obtain everything for yourself and for others for the asking; it was the hour of grace for the whole world - mercy triumphed over justice. My daughter, try your best to make the Stations of the Cross in this hour, provided that your duties permit it; and if you are not able to make the Stations of the Cross, then at least step into the chapel for a moment and adore, in the Blessed Sacrament, My Heart, which is full of mercy; and should you be unable to step into the chapel, immerse yourself in prayer there where you happen to be, if only for a very brief instant. I claim veneration for My mercy from every creature, but above all from you, since it is to you that I have given the most profound understanding of this mystery. (1572)*

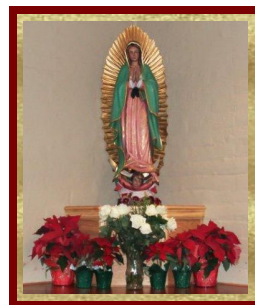


**Three O'Clock Prayer for Mercy**

You expired, O Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls and an ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelope the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us.

O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You.

## VIRGIN OF GUADALUPE COMMITTEE



Please join us:

- **Spanish Mass - February 12<sup>th</sup>** (every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month) at **7:00 pm**
- **Rosary in Spanish** every Thursday from 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm
- Our **monthly meetings are every first Saturday of each month from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm** to plan for the

December celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

For more information or if you have questions, please contact Lui (Lauro) Santamaria at (916) 709-4600.



**MASS INTENTIONS**

**February 04 Saturday**

8:30am Ernesto Belen †

**February 05 Sunday**

7:30am Divine Mercy Parishioners (*Pro Populo*)

9:30am Arceli Melendez (*Thanksgiving*)

12noon Isabel Cruz-Gee (*Birthday*)

**February 06 Monday**

6:30pm Teodulo Botones, Jr. †

**February 08 Wednesday**

6:30pm Vreeland Cruz (*Birthday*)

**February 09 Thursday**

8:30am Lucing Pelaez † (*Death Anniversary*),

Gonzalo Gueco † (*Death Anniversary*)

**ST. FAUSTINA'S ROSARY MAKERS**



**St. Faustina's Rosary Makers normally gathers on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 7:30 pm to make rosaries and provide them to missions abroad and those in need who cannot otherwise afford one.**

If you are interested in participating, please send email to [faustinas\\_rosaries@sbcglobal.net](mailto:faustinas_rosaries@sbcglobal.net) or call Eric Watson at (916) 419-9940.

**February meetings are on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>**

**St. Faustina's Rosary Makers** has a stock of rosaries available for purchase to give as gifts on birthdays and holidays. Please consider a new rosary for yourself or as a gift for family and friends. ALL proceeds are used to make mission rosaries for those less fortunate.



**PRAY FOR THE SICK**

Sera Adjemian  
 Consolatrix Ageas  
 Adam Agot  
 Nanette Aguirre  
 Murial Alex  
 Oma Alice  
 Cynthia Alvarez  
 Jesus Alvarez  
 Aristotle Arreola, Sr.  
 Amelia Barnett  
 Aleasha Billing  
 Marcelina Brecht  
 Elena Calvo

Mila Davis  
 Walter Dennis  
 Clara Dunn  
 Shirley Espiritu  
 Evangelista Estaris  
 Asuncion Felix  
 F. Fernandez  
 T. Fernandez  
 Hershell Gambrell  
 Mary Gomez  
 Barbara Graichen  
 Amelia Guibao  
 Jocella Gutierrez

Jose Gutierrez  
 Marie Holmes  
 Mary Isham  
 Kent Kim  
 Joe King  
 Karen Lakomy  
 Pricilla Lazo  
 Judith Lladoc  
 Liwayway Magsarili  
 Jun Malabunga  
 Lourdes Malabunga  
 Tony Manalo  
 Cindy Marek

Dominga Marzan  
 Josephine McCalip  
 Rosalina Miles  
 Tyrone Miles  
 Sally Miller  
 Ethel Mims  
 Leticia Mostajo  
 Boy Neri  
 Chason Neri  
 Dr. James Nishio  
 Dolores Noceda  
 Rica Norbraten  
 Arsenia Nudas

Mario Pagaragan  
 Sharen Phillips  
 Ambiro Reyna  
 W. Lee Roberts  
 Jesus Rojas  
 Joseph Rojas  
 Nathan Rojas  
 Sharon Ross  
 Marily Schmucki  
 Stacie Shaffer  
 Alfreda Sim  
 Tansio Soriano  
 Bill Spallas

Will Sutter  
 Carolina Tamayo  
 Manuel Tamayo, Sr.  
 Pearl Tangeant  
 Matt Thode  
 Carmina Trias  
 Marlyn Q. Uy  
 Gervie Valdepefia  
 Evelyn Venckus  
 Domingo Villarama  
 Mario Villarama  
 Rebecca Yeboah  
 Georgina Yeboah

**...and all in need of prayers including those who serve in the Military.**

**WEEK AT A GLANCE**

**February 06 Monday**

7:00pm School of the Faith (Narthex)

7:15pm Children's Choir Practice (Church)

**February 07 Tuesday**

6:30pm K of C Council Membership Meeting (Narthex)

7:30pm Altar Society Meeting (Narthex - Lobby)

**February 08 Wednesday**

10:00am School of the Faith (Narthex)

6:30pm Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help

7:30pm Meeting (Narthex)

**February 09 Thursday**

7:00pm School of the Faith (Narthex)

7:00pm Rosary in Spanish (Church)

7:00pm Finance Council Meeting (Rectorry)

**February 10 Friday**

9:00am Altar Society - Flower Arranging (Narthex)

3:00pm Holy Hour

7:30pm Adult Choir Practice (Church)

**February 11 Saturday**

3:45pm Confession

6:30pm Tagalog Mass

7:30pm Lord's Flock Catholic Charismatic Grp (Narthex)

**February 12 Sunday**

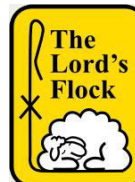
10:45am RCIA for Adults

1:30pm CFF

3:00pm CFF

6:30pm Youth Ministry

7:00pm Spanish Mass



**THE LORD'S FLOCK**

**Every Saturday at 7:00 pm (7:30 pm on 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturdays) at the Divine Mercy Narthex.**

For more information about The Lord's Flock Catholic Charismatic Community, please contact

**Sis. Dina Espino at (916) 595-8006, Bro. Derick Santiago at (916) 439-3351, Bro. Rudy Bonifacio at (916) 849-7685 or Bro. Danny Barnaja at (916) 201-4344 or you can visit our website at <http://www.lordsflock.org/>**

## Jesus, our Healer of Body & Soul

In the **First Reading**, we find a contrast to today's Gospel. Job has lost everything and is emphasizing the futility and fleeting nature of life. He's searching for relief from his depression and discouragement. Today's Gospel's gives the response: *Jesus is the one who brings healing into our lives.*

The **Responsorial Psalm** calls us to praise the Lord for His goodness. No matter how much we try we will always fail if we rely solely on our own strength. The existence of all creation depends on Him. He alone is omnipotent and omniscient. His very naming of the stars is an act of dominion. Yet He reaches down to sustain the humble. God is not so great as to forget the weak and powerless. He heals the brokenhearted, gathers the dispersed and punishes the wicked.

In the **Second Reading**, St. Paul addresses life's takers; those who insist on their rights and what they can get out of life. He explains that true Christianity is recognizing that since God created us in His image and to be like Him, then our greatest human and self-fulfillment lies in giving.



Today's **Gospel** presents the account of Jesus healing St. Peter's mother-in-law. What is different here is her *appropriate* response: *she does not draw attention to herself, but responds to Jesus' graciousness by serving.* When Jesus exorcised demons out of people, He did not allow them to speak. He knew the crowds would misunderstand His role as Messiah. He was not a political leader or miracle worker. He came to heal hearts and call us to conversion. Jesus was not the Messiah people wanted, but the One they needed. This is why, after praying in the desert Jesus moved on to other villages to proclaim God's Word to listeners.



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### "Bonded by Love, Building Our Stairway to Heaven" Campaign Prayer

*God, Our Father, we come to you with a grateful heart for everything you have given us. You called us to be bonded by love and to offer our time, talent and treasure for the needs of our parish family. As we face our challenges ahead, fill us with faith and hope. Give us a spirit of cooperation; create in us a wise and generous heart that knows how to face the responsibilities and challenges of our parish project. We know there is much to do, but we believe that our goals are rooted in your promise. We ask you to guide us, send the Holy Spirit to give us strength. Divine Mercy, have mercy on us now and forever. Amen.*

### SECOND COLLECTION February 4 - 5 BUILDING FUND

#### SHARING OUR TREASURE

Offertory Collections	
Weekly Goal	\$ 8,000
08-Jan	\$ 6,481
15-Jan	\$ 7,027
22-Jan	\$ 6,643
29-Jan	\$ 6,345
Year-to-Date Collections	\$ 219,291
Year-to-Date Goal	\$ 248,000
<b>Year-to-Date Variance</b>	<b>\$ (28,709)</b>

Building Fund Collections	
Annual Goal	\$ 372,000
08-Jan	\$ 4,821
15-Jan	\$ 968
22-Jan	\$ 10,046
29-Jan	\$ 1,390
<b>Year-to-Date Collections</b>	<b>\$ 129,830</b>

Special Collection	
Catholic Faith Formation	\$ 1,713

*Thank you for your generous financial contributions to support parish operations and repayment of our loan obligation.*

### Monthly Raffle Winner Congratulations!

Congratulations to **MARC & VIVIAN MENDOZA** with envelope no. 539 for winning our monthly raffle. You can claim your prize (2 bottles of wine) at the Parish Office during office hours - Monday to Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

**The next winner will be announced on the weekend of March 3 - 4.** If you need collection envelopes or information on the ePay system, please contact the **Parish Office at (916) 256-3134.**

# News From Around The Diocese



## JOB OPENING

The Diocese of Sacramento has an immediate opening for a full time Administrative Assistant/ Office Manager for the Department of Evangelization and Catechesis. The ideal candidate is high energy, bilingual (good verbal and written skills in both English and Spanish), excellent on the computer (Office Suite), and good with volunteers. Some experience working in a Catholic parish or volunteering in a parish ministry is also a plus. **Position is full time 35 hours per week, Monday - Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm** at the Diocesan Pastoral Center, 2110 Broadway in Sacramento.

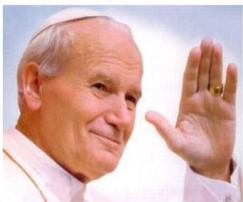
Interested candidates should email cover letter and resume to **Kevin Staszko**, [kstaszko@diocese-sacramento.org](mailto:kstaszko@diocese-sacramento.org).

## World Marriage Day – Renewal of Vows



On **Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**, Bishop Jaime Soto will preside at a special **11:00 am Mass at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament** in which married couples may renew their wedding vows. An informal reception for couples and their families will follow. Special certificates will be given to couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 50+). If you are interested in attending this free event, please register (names and anniversary year) at [www.SacWMD.com](http://www.SacWMD.com). **For more information, please call the Department of Evangelization & Catechesis at (916) 733-0123.**

## SERIES ON JOHN PAUL II'S THOUGHT



John Paul II's theological and philosophical reflections on man and woman have generated great interest in the Catholic vision of marriage and family, especially in light of Vatican II. Because of that interest, **St. John the Baptist parish in Folsom** is hosting a

series of talks for those who want to explore, discuss, and understand what the Church says about marriage and family and why she says it.

The series, given by **John Hamlon**, will highlight the following works:

- John Paul II's first encyclical, Redeemer of Man; his exhortation on The Family in the Modern World; and his Theology of the Body
- Edith Stein's essay, "The Separate Vocations of Man and Woman According to Nature and Grace"
- Paul VI's encyclical On Human Life
- Dietrich von Hildebrand's Marriage: The Mystery of Faithful Love

The talks will be on four successive **Thursday evenings, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm, starting February 11<sup>nd</sup> at St. John the Baptist Parish Center, 307 Montrose Drive, Folsom**. A free-will offering of \$5 per session is suggested. For further details, please contact **Cynthia Mulcaire** at **(916) 985-2065, ext. 17** or by email at [re@stjohnsfolsom.org](mailto:re@stjohnsfolsom.org).

## WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

Bishop Jaime Soto will preside at the annual celebration of **World Day of the Sick** for the Diocese of Sacramento on **Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am** at the **Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament**. This beautiful liturgy will include a blessing of the assembly with water from the Shrine at Lourdes, sacramental Anointing of the Sick, and the celebration of the Eucharist. Those in need of sacramental anointing are especially invited to this day of prayer and celebration.

Roman Catholic Diocese of Sacramento Presents

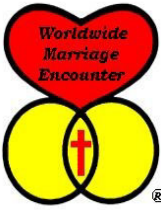
# Mother Daughter

Program 2012

**Mother-Daughter Programs** - The Diocese of Sacramento is offering programs to help mothers discuss puberty and fertility with their 10 - 12 year old and 13 - 16 year old daughters. These programs are offered nationwide and have helped thousands of mothers and daughters have healthy, wholesome and God-centered discussions about the sometimes challenging transition from being girl to being a woman. To register or for more information about program locations and content go to [www.motherdaughterprogram.com](http://www.motherdaughterprogram.com). To register by mail or with other questions, please contact **Steve Patton** **Phone: (916) 733-0133 | Email: [spatton@diocese-sacramento.org](mailto:spatton@diocese-sacramento.org)**

**Cost: \$20 per family** - Includes: Drinks, prizes and ice cream sundaes by Leatherby's. Reservations required.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend**



**Married Couples:** It takes so much effort just to make ends meet in our world today. Do you wish you could talk about something besides all the stresses in your life? A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** gives you the time and tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication, and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. Register for our next weekend **February 10-12 in Sacramento.** For more information or to register, please call **Barry & Julia Reynolds** at (866) 825-2046 or go to [merestrar@aol.com](mailto:merestrar@aol.com).

**RETROUVAILLE**



**Marriage Saving – the Post Session Phase –** The post-weekend phase of Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) is as crucial to the healing of a troubled marriage as the initial weekend experience. During the post-weekend sessions, the weekend technique is further developed and combined with additional tools to explore other areas of the marriage relationship. For **confidential information about or to register for the February 2012 program beginning with a weekend on February 10-12, please call (800) 283-5952 or email: [sacramento@retroca.com](mailto:sacramento@retroca.com) or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com).**



**Columbian Senior Advisory Service presents ...  
Navigating the Cost of Senior Care**

Please join us for a **FREE** education event for Knights, their families and members of the community. Whether you are planning for the future or currently making life-changing decisions, this event will provide an overview of important topics to help you be informed. There will also be community resource representatives at the event to answer any questions you may have. This presentation will cover valuable information about:

- The spectrum of housing and facility options for seniors
- In-home care and how to proceed
- Medicare, Medi-Cal, Veteran's Aid & Attendance and Long Term Care Insurance
- Myths and realities about senior services and aging

**Date :** Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>  
**Time :** 10:30 am -1:30 pm  
**Location :** Knights of Columbus 953 Hall  
 5961 Newman Court  
 Sacramento, CA 95819

**Please RSVP by February 17<sup>th</sup> at (800) 273-0068**  
 ~ Light lunch will be provided ~



**True Devotees Prayer Group** invites you to increase your intimacy with Jesus through a fuller appreciation of His Mother, Mary. St. Louis de Monfort's treatise, *True Devotion to Mary*, will prepare you for the consecration practiced by generations of popes. **Saturday meetings begin on February 11<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 11:30 am at St. Philomene's Church.** The devotion will conclude on **March 26<sup>th</sup>** with Holy Mass of the Annunciation/Incarnation. This session uses the Fr. Faber original translation. **For more information, please call Robin at (916) 483-4638.**

**RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT**



Is someone you know suffering after an abortion, perhaps years after the choice? Please consider the **Rachel's Vineyard Retreat Weekend, March 2 - 4, in Auburn, sponsored by the Diocese of Sacramento.** This unique and effective experience presents the mercy and compassion of God. The retreat is extremely helpful for those who struggle with feelings of shame, anger or grief and for those who have not forgiven themselves or others. Open to women, men, couples, and family members touched by abortion. **The cost is \$175 per person. Financial assistance is available. For a registration packet or more information, please contact Annette at (916) 733-0161 or write [projectrachel@diocese-sacramento.org](mailto:projectrachel@diocese-sacramento.org). Inquiries and participation are strictly confidential.**

**Saints & Readings for the Week**

5- Sunday Ordinary Time • Jb 7:1-4, 6-7 / 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23 / Mk 1:29-39  
 Monday • St Paul Miki & Comps • 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 / Mk 6:53-56  
 Tuesday • 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30 / Mk 7:1-13  
 Wed • St Jerome Emiliani / St Josephine Bakhita • 1 Kgs 10:1-10 / Mk 7:14-23  
 Thursday • 1 Kgs 11:4-13 / Mk 7:24-30  
 Friday • St Scholastica • 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 / Mk 7:31-37  
 Sat • BVM / Our Lady of Lourdes • 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34 / Mk 8:1-10  
 6- Sunday Ord Time • Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 / 1 Cor 10:31 - 11:1 / Mk 1:40-45



**BOY SCOUT SUNDAY**  
 Today • February 5



**Our Lady of Lourdes**  
 Saturday • Feb 11<sup>th</sup>



**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
 February 22<sup>nd</sup>