

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

15 JUNE 2008

The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few.

Matthew 9: 37



CALENDAR

MEETINGS AND SPECIAL EVENTS

MON-FRI	07:10 AM	Morning Prayer
MON-FRI	05:10 PM	Evening Prayer
SAT	07:40 AM	Morning Prayer
15 JUN	(Sunday)	<i>Nativity Carnival</i>
	07:30 PM	Holy Hour
16 JUN	(Monday)	
	07:30 PM	Legion of Mary
17 JUN	(Tuesday)	
	01:00 PM	Infant of Prague Society
	06:00 PM	Cenacles of Life Rosary
18 JUN	(Wednesday)	
	07:30 PM	Opus Dei Mens Group
19 JUN	(Thursday)	
	11:00 AM	The Thursday Group
	06:00 PM	Perpetual Help Novena
20 JUN	(Friday)	
	10:00 AM	Book Club
21 JUN	(Saturday)	
	10:00 AM -	Confessions
	12:00 PM	(Opus Dei priest)
	02:30 PM	St. Francis
		High School Concert
	03:30 PM -	Confessions
	04:30 PM	(parish priest)

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 15-21 JUN

SAT	05:00 PM	For all fathers
SUN	Masses	For all fathers
MON	07:30 AM	Fathers
	05:30 PM	† Barbara W. Wynne
TUE	07:30 AM	† Irene Stelmach
	05:30 PM	Benefactors of the parish
WED	07:30 AM	† John O'Day, Jr.
	05:30 PM	Fathers
THU	07:30 AM	† Suzanne Walsh
	12:00 PM	† Karl Henger
	05:30 PM	Dale Firenzi and Baby Garrett
FRI	07:30 AM	Fathers
	05:30 PM	† William E. Ryan
SAT	08:00 AM	† Carolina Sylvestri



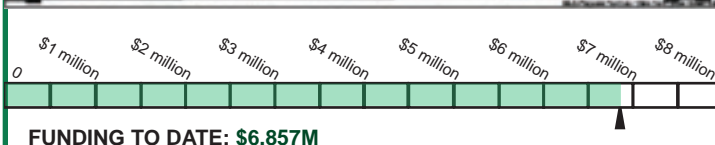
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There will be a **second collection** at all Masses this week for the **Ho Diocese**.



NATIVITY PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PHASE I

MULTI-PURPOSE PAVILION AND KINDERGARTEN



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PARISH OFFERINGS

		WEEK OF	
		31 MAY-01	
		JUN	
	TOTAL:	\$	12,697
	Annual Appeal Progress:	\$	29,320
	2008 Annual Appeal Goal:	\$	109,500

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

FATHERS AND THE INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE

Fr. Cyrillus a Matre Dei, O.C.D. was the first devotee and promoter of the devotion to the Infant Jesus of Prague. Through much prayer to the Infant, Father was granted relief from his interior trials and dryness of soul, and given assurance of his priestly vocation. The **Infant Jesus of Prague Society** will meet on **17 June 2008, Tuesday at 01:00 PM**. Our special intentions will be for all types of fathers, whether parent and/or religious. For each father and/or priest you are praying for, please bring a flower to be lovingly placed before Our Infant Jesus. Most importantly we give all praise to Our Heavenly Father. For any inquiries, please contact **Anne Delaney, S.F.O.** at **650/323-9333**. Prayer cards, holy medals, chaplets, and other related items are freely given upon request.

20 JUN (Friday): FIRST DAY OF SUMMER

The date of the first day of summer depends where you live, since it is timed with the summer solstice. For most of the United States, summer begins on **20 June**. In Europe it's **21 June**. And in Australia it's six months later, on **21 December**. In the northern hemisphere, we are marking the longest day of the year. At the June solstice, Earth is positioned in its orbit so that the North Pole is leaning 23-and-a-half degrees toward the sun. As seen from Earth, the sun is directly overhead at noon at all locations that are 23-and-a-half degrees north of the equator, at an imaginary line encircling the globe known as the Tropic of Cancer. This is as far north as the sun ever gets. All locations north of the equator have day lengths greater than 12 hours at the June solstice. The solstice will occur on **Friday, 20 June 2008 at 23:59 Universal Time (or 05:59 PM here in the Pacific time zone)**.

SPECIAL THANKS

We would like to thank **Peg Chandler** for her generous donation of the stained glass windows that have been put into the confessional and the entry doors from the vestibule into the church. These were donated in memory of her late husband, **Frank Chandler**.

Msgr. Otellini

FATIMA CELEBRATION

On **Monday, 14 July 2008**, we will hold our next monthly Fatima celebration. It begins with Holy Mass at **07:30 PM**, followed by a talk on the appearance, rosary procession, and Eucharistic healing service. Please join us. For questions, contact **Deacon Dominick** or **Mary Ellen Peloso** at **650/322-3013**.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: SPECIAL NEED

One of the families we help has a great need for a **baby stroller**. If any of you have an unused one taking up space in your home or garage, please call the rectory and leave a message on our phone VoiceMail and we will contact you to set up a time to pick it up. Thanks you for helping and please keep us and our clients in your prayers. As Christ said, *"Whatsoever you do to the least of My brothers, that you do unto Me."*

FATHERING . . .

Fatherhood is one of the most rewarding and most challenging vocations to which God calls us. Sometimes the task can seem overwhelming, but there are many resources available. Seek first in the Word of God and the example of fathers in the Bible, especially St. Joseph and his patient strength. Call upon him for the strength and guidance you need.

A few other resources:

"What a Girl Needs From Her Dad" by Michael Farris

"Legacy: A Father's Handbook to Raising Godly Children"
by Stephen Wood

"The Father's Love" compilation DVD by Fr. John Corapi

"The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother."

*Fr. Theodore Hesburgh, President Emeritus
of the University of Notre Dame*

One night a father overheard his son praying, "God, let me grow up to be a man like my Daddy is." Later the father prayed, "God, let me be the man my son expects me to be."

Author Unknown

"When I was a boy of fourteen, my father was so ignorant I could hardly stand to have the old man around. But when I got to be twenty-one, I was astonished at how much he had learned in seven years."

Mark Twain

21 JUN (Saturday): SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA, Religious (1568-1591)

Born to a noble family in Lombardy, Aloysius gave his inheritance to his brother and entered the Society of Jesus. While serving the sick during a plague in Rome, he succumbed to the disease himself in **1591**.

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please come to visit our Lord during the week, as the church is open 24x7 and He awaits you. Also, everyone is encouraged to sign up for one hour. This will ensure your weekly meeting with Jesus. You may sign up for any hour. Please consider the following hours which currently have no one assigned:

TUE: 10:00 AM

THU: 03:00 PM

Please call **650/322-3013** for more information or to sign up.



INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE SOCIETY

The group meets on the **17th** of each month to begin a novena, in the Church at the statue of the Infant. If you have any questions please call **Anne Delaney, SFO** at **650/323-9333**.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please welcome the newest members of our Christian community:



- **Dash Sebastian** son of **Hans Dropmann** and **Angelina Pineda**
- **Colton Bradley** son of **Clayton** and **Chris Ernst**
- **Lauryn Welsh** daughter of **James** and **Susan Masetti**
- **Robert Earl** son of **Timothy** and **Nohemy Roden**
- **Talan Ryan** son of **Michael** and **Jennifer Shoup**
- **Sophia Anne Kealaokopono** daughter of **Christopher** and **Tara Anne Sotto**

May these children and their families grow in holiness daily in response to their baptismal calling.

We congratulate



- **Anton Ramos** and **Ruby Angela Apelo**
 - **John Stuart Hoch** and **Amy Elizabeth Wender**
- on their recent marriages at Nativity. May these couples grow in grace, aided by the prayerful support of their parish family.

Nativity welcomes our newest parishioners

- **Joshua and Holly Rivera** (*Matthew*)



SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

Archbishop Niederauer and **Msgr. Harry Schlitt** have asked that a special collection be taken at parishes to help the people suffering from the cyclone in **Myanmar** (Burma) and earthquake relief in **China**. Caritas Internationalis is the organization through which Catholic Relief Service is channeling the donations to reach the critical areas in each country.

NATIVITY BOOK CLUB

The **Nativity Book Club** will meet on **Friday, 20 June 2008** in the **O'Hare Center** from **10:00-11:30 AM**. The book we will discuss is *Mere Christianity* by C. S. Lewis. You are invited to join us. Any questions, please call **Bart Phelps** at **650/854-7526** or **Cathy Enciso** at **650/854-8915**.

CONCERT AT NATIVITY

St. Francis Chamber Choir will be singing at **02:30 PM** on **Sunday, 22 June 2008** at **Nativity Church**. The choir will be joined in singing by **Margaret Durando** and her sisters. Tickets will be sold at the door: **\$20 general/\$15 seniors**. Proceeds will benefit the choir's festival tour next summer. We look forward to seeing you there.

(UPDATED LOCATION/TIME)



SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Checks for all second collections should be made out to the **Church of the Nativity**. In the memo line write what your donation should go to, for example: *Diocese of Ho*.

This weekend, **Msgr. Richard Affrim** will speak on behalf of the Diocese of Ho in Ghana, West Africa as part of the Missionary Cooperation Plan for the Archdiocese of San Francisco. Ho is basically a rural diocese with few towns and much poverty. The principal occupation of the villagers is subsistence farming. The average monthly income of a clerical worker is the American equivalent of **\$160.00**. Many laborers work for the minimum wage of about **\$1.00** a day. The standard of living in Ghana is very low and the region in which the diocese is located has no manufacturing or industry. A second collection will be taken for Ho Diocese. Please be generous.

PLAN AHEAD: BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

The bulletin content for **06 July 2008** needs to be submitted **two days earlier** due to the publisher's holiday schedule. The normal deadline of **noon on Friday** is accelerated to **noon on Wednesday, 25 June 2008** for that week's bulletin only.

BIBLE STUDY NEWS

40 parishioners have just completed our 10-week study of the Book of Revelations. We look forward to our new study series, The Acts of the Apostles, which will begin on **16 September 2008**. This will be a 20-week series that focuses on the new Christian Church featuring figures who knew Christ intimately. See how those early Christians lived and spread the Gospel. This study will coincide nicely with the *Year of St. Paul* as so much of it is on his life and travels. Call **Deacon Dominick** or **Mary Ellen Peloso** for information, **650/322-3013**.

NATIVITY MOMS GROUP

All mothers are invited to join us for prayer and fellowship on **Friday 27 June 2008** from **10:30 AM** until **12:00 PM** in the **O'Hare Center**. Please bring your little ones with you! Contact **Christine Semler** at **650/594-4637** for more information.

IN THE COMMUNITY

NATIVITY BLOOD DRIVE

It's time once again to step into the Stanford Bloodmobile (which will be parked in our church parking lot) and roll up your sleeves! We have heard that the shortage of blood is quite serious, and our donations will be gratefully accepted. Our next community blood drive is **22 June 2008**, so please call or e-mail **Maryclair Thomas** at **650/327-9452** (maryclairthomas@sbcglobal.net) and let her know what time, (between **08:30 AM-01:30 PM**) works for you. Once again, our goal is **50 donors**, so please remember: *The blood you give may help save a life!*

Pregnant? Need Help? Please contact the **Juan Diego Society** at **408/258-2008** or the **Gabriel Project** at **800/910-0191**.

You are never too far gone for the Father's forgiveness and grace.



PAULINE YEAR

A special year will be dedicated for the bimillennium celebrations of the birth of the Apostle Paul. This **Pauline Year** will begin on **28 June 2008** and conclude on **29 June 2009**.

For further information: www.annopaolino.org

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month **His Holiness Benedict XVI** asks for general and missionary prayer intentions. For **June 2008**, the Holy Father's prayer intentions are:

General: That Christians may cultivate a deep and personal friendship with Christ so they are able to communicate the strength of His love to those they encounter

Missionary: That the International Eucharistic Congress in Quebec, Canada, may lead to ever deeper understanding of the Eucharist, the heart of the Church and source of evangelization.



We are continuing to publish the text of the
ENCYCLICAL LETTER **SPE SALVI (SAVED BY HOPE)** OF THE SUPREME PONTIFF **BENEDICT XVI**

The true shape of Christian hope

24. Let us ask once again: what may we hope? And what may we not hope? First of all, we must acknowledge that incremental progress is possible only in the material sphere. Here, amid our growing knowledge of the structure of matter and in the light of ever more advanced inventions, we clearly see continuous progress towards an ever greater mastery of nature. Yet in the field of ethical awareness and moral decision-making, there is no similar possibility of accumulation for the simple reason that man's freedom is always new and he must always make his decisions anew. These decisions can never simply be made for us in advance by others—if that were the case, we would no longer be free. Freedom presupposes that in fundamental decisions, every person and every generation is a new beginning. Naturally, new generations can build on the knowledge and experience of those who went before, and they can draw upon the moral treasury of the whole of humanity. But they can also reject it, because it can never be self-evident in the same way as material inventions. The moral treasury of humanity is not readily at hand like tools that we use; it is present as an appeal to freedom and a possibility for it. This, however, means that:

a) The right state of human affairs, the moral well-being of the world can never be guaranteed simply through structures alone, however good they are. Such structures are not only important, but necessary; yet they cannot and must not marginalize human freedom. Even the best structures function only when the community is animated by convictions capable of motivating people to assent freely to the social order. Freedom requires conviction; conviction does not exist on its own, but must always be gained anew by the community.

b) Since man always remains free and since his freedom is always fragile, the kingdom of good will never be definitively established in this world. Anyone who promises the better world that is guaranteed to last for ever is making a false promise; he is overlooking human freedom. Freedom must constantly be won over for the cause of good. Free assent to the good never exists simply by itself. If there were structures which could irrevocably guarantee a determined—good—state of the world, man's freedom would be denied, and hence they would not be good structures at all.

25. What this means is that every generation has the task of engaging anew in the arduous search for the right way to order human affairs; this task is never simply completed. Yet every generation must also make its own contribution to establishing convincing structures of freedom and of good, which can help the following generation as a guideline for the proper use of human freedom; hence, always within human limits, they provide a certain guarantee also for the future. In other words: good structures help, but of themselves they are not enough. Man can never be redeemed simply from outside. Francis Bacon and those who followed in the intellectual current of modernity that he inspired were wrong to believe that man would be redeemed through science. Such an expectation asks too much of science; this kind of hope is deceptive. Science can contribute greatly to making the world and mankind more human. Yet it can also destroy mankind and the world unless it is steered by forces that lie outside it. On the other hand, we must also acknowledge that modern Christianity, faced with the successes of science in progressively structuring the world, has to a large extent restricted its attention to the individual and his salvation. In so doing it has limited the horizon of its hope and has failed to recognize sufficiently the greatness of its task—even if it has continued to achieve great things in the formation of man and in care for the weak and the suffering.

(continued next week)



Nicholas Gentry (age 11)



**MAY GOD
BLESS ALL
FATHERS**