

FIRST READING

Now, Israel, hear ... that you may live.
Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8

PSALM

One who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.
Psalms 15

SECOND READING

Keep oneself unstained by the world.
James 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27

GOSPEL

The things that come out from within are what defile.
Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

30 AUGUST 2009

Humbly welcome the Word that has been planted in you, and is able to save your souls.

James 1: 21



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
30 AUG	(Sunday)	
	07:30 PM	Holy Hour for Priests
31 AUG	(Monday)	
	07:30 PM	Legion of Mary
	07:30 PM	Choir Practice: Christmas Concert
01 SEP	(Tuesday)	
	06:00 PM	Cenacles of Life Rosary
02 SEP	(Wednesday)	
	09:00 AM	School Mass
03 SEP	(Thursday)	
	06:00 PM	Perpetual Help Novena
	06:30 PM	ICF Dinner and Meeting
04 SEP	(Friday)	1st
05 SEP	(Saturday)	1st
	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Confessions (Opus Dei priest)
	03:30 PM - 04:30 PM	Confessions (parish priest)

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS WEEK OF 30 AUG - 05 SEP

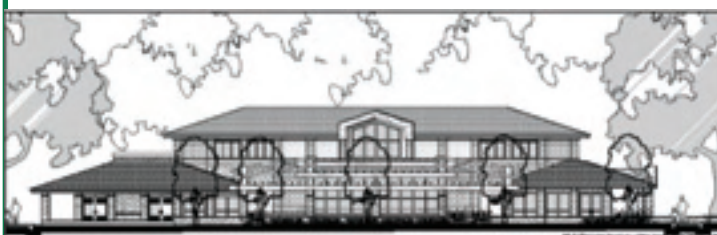
SAT	05:00 PM	Priest's intentions
SUN	Masses	Priest's intentions
MON	07:30 AM	† Roland Cannavo
	05:30 PM	Pat Romelfanger and family
TUE	07:30 AM	† Anthony Diepenbrock
	05:30 PM	† Audrey Alex
WED	07:30 AM	Special intentions
	05:30 PM	† Florence Dumas
THU	07:30 AM	Kirk Andrews
	05:30 PM	† Roland Cannavo
FRI	07:30 AM	† Nob Romelfanger
	05:30 PM	† Sr. Constance Constantino
SAT	08:00 AM	† Virginia and John Conway

The parish office will be closed
on Monday,
07 September 2009 for
Labor Day.
There will be only one Mass,
at 09:00 AM, on Labor Day.



NATIVITY PARISH CAPITAL CAMPAIGN PHASE I

MULTI-PURPOSE PAVILION AND KINDERGARTEN



FUNDING TO DATE: \$7.747M



"BROWN BAG" SUNDAY

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will be collecting donations after all the Masses this week.



PARISH OFFERINGS

WEEK OF
15-16 AUG

TOTAL:	\$	10,352
Annual Appeal Progress:	\$	25,831
2008 Annual Appeal Goal:	\$	123,300

SAINTS AND OBSERVANCES

SOLEMNITY, FEAST, MEMORIAL • OPTIONAL MEMORIAL • OTHER

03 SEP (Thursday):

SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT, Pope and Doctor of the Church (540-590)

Prefect of Rome who then sold his possessions, turned his home into a Benedictine monastery, and used his money to build six monasteries in Sicily, plus one in Rome. Gregory was a Benedictine, the first monk to be elected pope (by unanimous acclamation). He wrote seminal works on the Mass and Divine Office, and collected the melodies and plain chant so associated with him that they are today referred to as *Gregorian Chants*.



PRAY THE ROSARY

Observe this special devotion to our Blessed Mother as often as you can. *"I am the Lady of the Rosary, I have come to warn the faithful to amend their lives and ask for pardon for their sins. They must not offend Our Lord any more, for He is already too grievously offended by the sins of men. People must say the rosary. Let them continue saying it every day."*

--Our Blessed Mother to Lucia at Fatima
13 October 1917

www.theholyyrosary.org

www.ewtn.com/Devotionals/prayers/rosary/how_to.htm

www.savior.org/wwrc/

Blessed Mother's birthday is coming up next week (08 September). Wouldn't praying the rosary be a lovely present for her?

MINISTRY AND GROUP NEWS

CLASS ON THE CATHOLIC CATECHISM

Our weekly Bible study will be doing a series on the **Catechism of the Catholic Church**. The Catechism is the church's interpretation of the Bible and is *a survival guide for our perilous times*. With thousands of Biblical quotes, this class will open up the Bible for us in a most beautiful way making it meaningful to our lives in the 21st century. The classes will cover: 1. the Creed (what we believe), 2. the Sacraments (how we enter into the mystery of the Spirit), 3. the Commandments (how to live our life in the Spirit), and 4. Prayer (having a relationship with the Spirit). We will use the video talks of **Father Corapi** supplemented with reading and discussion. Classes will be on **Tuesday** mornings from **09:30-11:00 AM** and repeated again in the evening from **07:30-09:00 PM**. They begin on **08 September 2009**. For more information or to sign up, contact **Deacon Dominick Peloso** at **650/269-6279**.

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:

WED: 11:00 AM

FRI: 04:00 AM

SAT: 06:00 PM (twice per month)

Please call **650/269-7794** for more information or to sign up.



CHILDRENS BOOKS NEEDED

Samaritan House Medical Clinic in San Mateo is collecting children's books to use in the literacy program they have set up. Nativity is now a drop-off point for collecting new or used children's books for this program. There is a blue bag in the **O'Hare Center** (next to the TV) where they can be dropped off on Sundays or you may bring them to the rectory during the week.

MONDAY BIBLE STUDY GROUP



The Monday morning **Bible Study Group** will resume on **Monday, 14 September 2009**, at **09:00 AM** in the **O'Hare Center**. All are welcome. For more information contact **Tim Kennedy, 650/321-4818**.

SAVE THE DATE: NATIVITY RESPECT LIFE

The **Nativity Respect Life Committee** is meeting on **Thursday, 17 September 2009** in the **O'Hare Center** from **07:30-08:30 PM**.

ROSARY FOR LIFE

Please join **Nativity Respect Life** in saying our monthly Rosary outside an abortion clinic in Redwood City, First **Saturday, 05 September 2009**. We meet between the **O'Hare Center** and the **Church** after the **08:00 AM** Mass on Saturday before heading over. Please contact **Eileen** at **650/799-4722** for more information.

NATIVITY MOMS OF YESTERYEAR

Renew past friendships and make new ones. Join the **Nativity Moms of Yesteryear** at **Harry's Hofbrau, 1909 El Camino Real, Redwood City, on 15 September 2009 at 06:00 PM**. For information only call **Bonnie Neylan** at **650/322-8645**.

FATIMA CELEBRATION

On **Monday, 14 September 2009**, 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**.



Pregnant? Need Help? Please contact First Resort (888/252-1822), the Juan Diego Society (408/258-2008) or the Gabriel Project (800/910-0191).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR PARISH FAMILY

Please welcome the newest members of our Christian community:

- **Alessandra** daughter of **Fernando** and **Miriam Mancera**
- **Kendal Joelle**
• **Skyler Marie** daughters of **Greg** and **Deanna Linehan**
- **Rosalinda** daughter of **Cristobal Hernandez** and **Maria Rivas**



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

We congratulate

- **Bosco Ho** and **Tai-Yun Li**
 - **Michael LeBlanc** and **Lauren McCleary**
- on their recent marriages at Nativity. May these couples grow in grace, aided by the prayerful support of their parish family.



FR. DAVENPORT CELEBRATION VIDEO

Father Derek has placed a short video on his website www.nagid.pl that he had taken at **Fr. Davenport's 60th Anniversary Dinner**. Visit Fr. Derek's website and re-live this special event.

PICTURES OF "FATHER LUCKY"

Pictures wanted for the *Father Lucky* book, version 2: While he is here, **Fr. Derek** is working with **Fr. Davenport** on a revised edition of his book of stories. They would like to add more pictures to the book. If you have pictures of Fr. Davenport that would be appropriate to add to this wonderful little book, please bring them to the parish office in the rectory as soon as possible. Thank you.

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

It has been increasingly difficult to assure a supply of visiting priests in order for us to maintain the current Sunday Mass schedule. Presently we have 6 Masses on the weekend just for the Sunday Mass Obligation (including the Saturday vigil), this in addition to weddings and other liturgies on Saturday. Priests are only permitted by canon law to celebrate two Masses a day. In addition, on some special Holy Days, because of our presently "tight" Mass schedule it becomes very difficult to empty and fill the parking lot with only a few minutes between Masses. For these reasons I have decided to combine the 11:00 AM and 12:30 PM Masses into one Mass that will begin at 11:30 AM. The 12:30 PM Mass has always been our least attended. By combining the two we will have more time between Masses, and a less chaotic parking problem on important Holy Days. I am sorry if this inconveniences some who have become accustomed to their Sunday routines. In doing this Nativity still offers more Mass times than any neighboring parish. This change will take effect the **first Sunday of October** (04 October 2009).

Thank you for your understanding,

Msgr. Steven Otellini

"BROWN BAG" SUNDAYS

Our parish chapter of the **St. Vincent de Paul Society** will have its Brown Bag Collection after all Masses this weekend. Thanks to your generosity our volunteers were able to help 133 people with emergency food and rent assistance during the month of July alone. There is a great need very close to our neighborhood. All your donations are used for people in distress in our area. Thank you for considering this worthy cause.



CCD NEWS

The **CCD Confirmation Class** for 2009-2010 school year will be changing its meeting date and time. In order to increase our enrollment, improve our attendance, and make the catechesis experience more meaningful, we are piloting a new program beginning in the fall of 2009. We will have 7th and 8th graders combined into one class, which will meet on **Wednesday** evenings from **07:00-08:00 PM** in the **O'Hare Center**. Confirmation preparation is a two-year program with the 8th graders receiving Confirmation in the spring of 2010.

Sr. Merlynn Martin, CSJ, Director of Religious Education: **650/327-2319** or **650/289-0389**; **Louise Tuite** and **Carolina Sylvestri**, teachers.

RCIA 2009-2010 BEGINS 21 SEP 2009

Persons interested in Catholicism are invited to attend the **2009-2010 Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)** at Nativity. We will meet **Mondays, 07:30-09:00 PM**, in the **O'Hare Center**, beginning **21 September 2009**. This rite of faith formation is for adults who have never been baptized, or were baptized in another faith, and now are considering becoming Catholic. The classes are led by two specially-trained parishioners, with frequent assistance from St. Patrick seminarians and parish priests. After a few weeks of informal inquiry, we will embark on several months of classes, prayer and discussion in preparation for the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation at the **Easter Vigil, Saturday evening, 03 April 2010**. There is no obligation and you are free to drop out at any time. Classes are small and there is plenty of opportunity for individual attention. We will accept new participants throughout September. Contact **Charlotte Pace** at **650/325-6978**, **Tim Kennedy** at **650/321-4818**, or **Msgr. Otellini** at the rectory **650/323-7914**. We look forward to welcoming you.



SINGERS WANTED FOR CHRISTMAS CONCERT

All are invited and welcome to join in the singing at our annual **Christmas Concert**, which will be on **06 December 2009**. Practices are on **Monday** evenings at **07:30 PM** in the **O'Hare Center**. Please contact **Margaret Durando** at **650/322-2789** or **Jill Mueller** at **650/493-1963** (sjillmueller@earthlink.net) for more information about joining the choir and the music.

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



THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

Each month **His Holiness Benedict XVI** asks for general and missionary prayer intentions.

For **August 2009**, the Holy Father's prayer intentions are:

General: That the Lord may bless the farmers with an abundant harvest and sensitize the richer populations to the drama of hunger in the world.



Missionary: That the Christians who work in areas where the conditions of the poor, the weak and the women and children are most tragic, may be signs of hope, thanks to their courageous testimony to the Gospel of solidarity and love.

ENCYCLICAL LETTER *CARITAS IN VERITATE* OF THE SUPREME PONTIFF BENEDICT XVI (cont'd.)

8. In 1967, when he issued the Encyclical *Populorum Progressio*, my venerable predecessor **Pope Paul VI** illuminated the great theme of the development of peoples with the splendour of truth and the gentle light of Christ's charity. He taught that life in Christ is the first and principal factor of development and he entrusted us with the task of travelling the path of development with all our heart and all our intelligence, that is to say with the ardour of charity and the wisdom of truth. It is the primordial truth of God's love, grace bestowed upon us, that opens our lives to gift and makes it possible to hope for a "development of the whole man and of all men", to hope for progress "from less human conditions to those which are more human", obtained by overcoming the difficulties that are inevitably encountered along the way.

At a distance of over forty years from the Encyclical's publication, I intend to pay tribute and to honour the memory of the great Pope Paul VI, revisiting his teachings on integral human development and taking my place within the path that they marked out, so as to apply them to the present moment. This continual application to contemporary circumstances began with the Encyclical *Sollicitudo Rei Socialis*, with which the Servant of God Pope John Paul II chose to mark the twentieth anniversary of the publication of *Populorum Progressio*. Until that time, only *Rerum Novarum* had been commemorated in this way. Now that a further twenty years have passed, I express my conviction that *Populorum Progressio* deserves to be considered "the *Rerum Novarum* of the present age", shedding light upon humanity's journey towards unity.

9. Love in truth — *caritas in veritate* — is a great challenge for the Church in a world that is becoming progressively and pervasively globalized. The risk for our time is that the de facto interdependence of people and nations is not matched by ethical interaction of consciences and minds that would give rise to truly human development. Only in charity, illumined by the light of reason and faith, is it possible to pursue development goals that possess a more humane and humanizing value. The sharing of goods and resources, from which authentic development proceeds, is not guaranteed by merely technical progress and relationships of utility, but by the potential of love that overcomes evil with good (cf. Rom 12:21), opening up the path towards reciprocity of consciences and liberties.

The Church does not have technical solutions to offer and does not claim "to interfere in any way in the politics of States." She does, however, have a mission of truth to accomplish, in every time and circumstance, for a society that is attuned to man, to his dignity, to his vocation. Without truth, it is easy to fall into an empiricist and sceptical view of life, incapable of rising to the level of praxis because of a lack of interest in grasping the values — sometimes even the meanings — with which to judge and direct it. Fidelity to man requires fidelity to the truth, which alone is the guarantee of freedom (cf. Jn 8:32) and of the possibility of integral human development. For this reason the Church searches for truth, proclaims it tirelessly and recognizes it wherever it is manifested. This mission of truth is something that the Church can never renounce. Her social doctrine is a particular dimension of this proclamation: it is a service to the truth which sets us free. Open to the truth, from whichever branch of knowledge it comes, the Church's social doctrine receives it, assembles into a unity the fragments in which it is often found, and mediates it within the constantly changing life-patterns of the society of peoples and nations.

(continued next week)

WORLDWIDE ROSARY FOR UNBORN BABIES October 16th, 17th, and 18th - 2009

The 2nd annual **WORLDWIDE ROSARY FOR UNBORN BABIES** prayer event is scheduled to happen on October 16th (Friday), October 17th (Saturday), and October 18th (Sunday). A person who wants to participate will pray at least one Rosary on any one of the three days for the following intention: **For an end to the surgical and non-surgical killing of unborn human persons.** (No registration is required for this pro-life prayer event, but participants are welcome to contact the Saint Michael the Archangel Organization, especially if you live in a country other than the United States. It is asked that all correspondence be in English.)



[The October 16th (Friday) date offers the opportunity for students to pray the Rosary together at schools. The October 18th (Sunday) date offers the opportunity for people to pray the Rosary either before or after Masses.]

[The WORLDWIDE ROSARY FOR UNBORN BABIES prayer event is intended to unite people throughout the world to pray the Rosary for unborn human persons. In May, 2009, the Rosary was prayed in more than 35 countries as part of a similar Rosary effort coordinated by the Saint Michael the Archangel Organization.]

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL ORGANIZATION
P. O. Box 41257; Memphis, Tennessee 38174; U.S.A.
www.SaintMichaelTheArchangelOrganization.org

EVERY FOURTH BABY CONCEIVED IN THE UNITED STATES IS KILLED BY ABORTION.

CRITICAL POINT IN PROTECTING LIFE

The healthcare reform bills in the House and Senate are presenting various dangers to life. We have to **act now**. Please contact your U.S. House of Representative and Senators to say "NO" to the following activities and that they be specifically prohibited in the legislation: (1) Taxpayer funding of abortion (2) Taxpayer funding of in-vitro fertilization (3) Healthcare rationing, particularly for the chronically ill, disabled, the elderly, and procedures to save pre-born babies (e.g., fetal heart surgery), (4) Mandating "counseling" on assisted suicide (5) Mandatory referrals for abortion and assisted suicide (6) Providing no conscience clause protections for health care workers who do not want to participate in procedures or referrals for things such as abortion and assisted suicide, and (7) Taxpayer funding of artificial birth control.

Senators:

Barbara Boxer (415/403-0100)
boxer.senate.gov/contact/email/policy.cfm
Diane Feinstein (415/393-0707)
feinstein.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=ContactUs.EmailMe

Representatives:

Jackie Speier (650/342-0300)
Anna Eshoo (650/323-2984)

ON-LINE PRO-LIFE RESOURCES

National Right to Life Council	www.nrlc.org
Priests for Life	www.priestsforlife.org
California Pro-Life Council	www.californiaprolife.org
Gospel of Life Institute	www.gospeloflifeinstitute.org
U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops	www.usccb.org
Natl. Committee for a Human Life Amendment	www.nchla.org
Project Rachel	www.hopeafterabortion.com

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**IN THE TWO MINUTES IT TAKES YOU
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7 BABIES WILL DIE BY ABORTION
IN THE UNITED STATES.**