

WEEK AT A GLANCE
September 2nd - 10th

Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart
Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Mass – St. Anne (Sacred Heart Parishioners)
	10:00 a.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart
	12:00 p.m.	Misa en Español
Mon.	NO MASS	
Tue.	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Barney Uphus†)
	11:00 a.m.	Rosary at Rosie DelaTorre’s home
	6:00 p.m.	Baptism Preparation Class (English)
Wed.	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Wayne Uphus and Family)
	8:45 a.m.	Hospitality in the parish hall
Thu.	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Randall Matsunaga†)
Fri.	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Special Intention)
	10:30 a.m.	Rosary at Oak River Rehab
Sat.	8:00 a.m.	Parish Work Day until 3pm
	3:00 p.m.	Confessions
	4:30 p.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart (Barney Uphus†)
Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Mass – St. Anne (Sacred Heart Parishioners)
	10:00 a.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart
	11:15 a.m.	Choir Practice
	12:00 p.m.	Misa en Español

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon.** 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Luke 4:16-30
- Tue.** 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, 9-11; Luke 4:31-37
- Wed.** Colossians 1:1-8; Luke 4:38-44
- Thu.** Colossians 1:9-14; Luke 5:1-11
- Fri.** Micah 5:1-4a; Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23
(The Birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Feast)
- Sat.** Colossians 1:21-23; Luke 6:1-5
- Sun.** Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20

PRAYER CONCERNS

Joe Fitzpatrick, Delaney Valles, John VanErt, Ross Clark, Melody Christenson, Mary Jarvis, David Jacobs, Regina Barker, Mary O’Keeffe, Ann Whitmore, Jay Burns, Jorge Ortiz.

SACRED HEART FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Our English Faith Formation program is now accepting registrations for the 2017-2018 school year. Forms are available by calling the parish office or on our website at www.sacredheartparish.com. Click on the Faith Formation tab and scroll down to “children”. There is a link for both the family form and a form for the child.

Teachers and aides needed!!! Our Faith Formation program is currently seeking teachers and aides. We need a teacher and an aide for each class. We are also looking for individuals willing to work the front office (at least once a month) on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:30pm. Faith Formation classes run from the middle of September to the middle of May. All volunteers who work with children must be fingerprinted and complete the Shield the Vulnerable on-line program. More information and forms are available in the parish office, 365-8573.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Collection Summary

August 12/13:	\$3,926
August 15 th :	\$ 948
August 19/20:	\$3,578
August 26/27:	\$4,466

For fiscal year 2017–2018

Budgeted for Collections: **\$280,000**
Total for 9 weeks: \$44,087 weekly Goal: \$5,385
 Average Weekly Collection: **\$4,898**

Second Collection

Our Second Collection **this weekend** is for our Maintenance and Improvement Fund. This collection helps keep our parish buildings and grounds in good working order and looking so good. Thank you for your generosity.

GREETER TRAINING

Have you ever considered volunteering to be a greeter at the 4:30pm or 10:00am Masses?

If so...we have scheduled a training for new greeters. Kathy Weiss will **train new greeters** after the **4:30 Mass on Saturday, September 9th** and Mike Spence will **train new greeters** after the **10:00am Mass on Sunday, September 10th**. Besides the training, each new volunteer will receive “Guidelines for Greeters”.

If we can train 4 – 6 new greeters for each Mass, it will greatly ease the burden of our existing greeters. We only have 8 greeters for 4:30 Mass and 8 greeters for 10:00 Mass.

This is the perfect opportunity for parishioners to practice their “stewardship of time”. If you have any questions, please call Angie at the parish office.

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Question of the Week

For Children: Jesus tells us that we each called to follow him. What is hard for you to do to follow Jesus?

For Youth: In order to follow Jesus, we have to do hard things, to carry our own crosses. What is a cross that you are carrying right now? In what ways can you ask Jesus to help you with your cross?

For Adults: Jesus gives us the core truth to life and eternal happiness — the cross. Name the cross that you carry. How is it bringing you closer to God?

Liturgy of the Word

Jeremiah in today’s first reading shows us what it means to truly belong to God. He cannot suppress the message that God has planted within him. As we hear God’s holy word today, listen for the message God has planted within you. How will it burn within your heart, and how will you express it in the world?

COLLECTION FOR PRIESTS’ RETIREMENT

Next weekend, there will be a second collection for the Diocesan Priests Retirement fund. This is our opportunity to take care of those who have spent their lives caring for our spiritual and sacramental needs within our Diocese. Please consider making a donation. Special envelopes are included in your envelope packet. Thank you for your support of our parish priests. Your generosity is very much appreciated.

MINISTRY DAYS 2017

Registration is now open for Ministry Days 2017, which will be held Friday, September 29th and Saturday, September 30th at St. Francis High School in Sacramento. The theme this year is **“How Do You Know Me?”**, which is taken from the conversation between Jesus and Nathanael in John 1:47-51. Ministry Days is the largest gathering of ministers, catechists and Catholic School teachers in the Diocese of Sacramento. Information and registration available at: www.ministrydays.com.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS

The next meeting of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court of Our Lady of Shasta #2312, will be on Saturday, September 9th, 10am, at the Knights of Columbus Hall at Our Lady of Mercy Parish. Women from ALL parishes, 18 years and older, are invited to join us. Please arrive for social time at 9:30am. For more information, contact Geri at 242-6285.

The Parish Office is moving in the new Parish Center and we need the following (either new or old):

- 2 hot and cold water dispenser
- 2 queen beds with headboard and box spring for the Rectory
- 2 queen bed sheets
- Treadmill for the exercise room in the Rectory
- Flat Screen TV for the Youth Room
- Flat Screen TV for the Hispanic Room



Thank you for supporting all these initiatives for the good of our parish!



ANNUAL FALL GREAT SALE

Set aside the date – **September 29th & 30th** – and then start setting aside your good, used items to bring to the parish hall for our Annual Fall Great Sale. We need baby items, toys, furniture, electronics, tools, kitchenware, lawn equipment, antiques, and more... Please, only bring items that are **in good, working condition**, please bring them in beginning Monday, September 25th. We also pick up larger items!

Also, **please set aside some time to volunteer at the sale**. We are especially in need of men to help with pick ups and with unloading vehicles. If you can help, please call Maria at the Thrift Store, 365-5853.

PARISH OFFICE MOVING!!!

We are moving the parish office over to the new “Sacred Heart Parish Center” from Thursday, August 31st and will conclude on Friday, September 8th.

So...the parish office will be closed from August 31st – September 8th.

Sorry for the inconvenience.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RICA) is the process by which adults undergo educational and spiritual preparation to help them determine whether they are being called to join the Roman Catholic faith community. This program includes the initiation sacraments of Baptism (for those not already baptized Christian), Confirmation & Holy Eucharist.

If you are interested in the RCIA process, please call or stop by the parish office to register. Classes will begin the first week of October. *Fr. Eric Flores* will lead the class along with the RCIA team: *Deacon Rich Valles, Ellen Gutierrez, Steve Essig and Sandy Downing.*

THE BIRTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Mary was born to be the mother of the Savior of the world, the spiritual mother of all, and the holiest of God’s creatures. Because of her Son’s infinite merits, she was conceived and born immaculate and full of grace. Through her, Queen of heaven and of earth, all grace is given to us. Through her, by the will of the Trinity, the unbelieving receive the gift of faith; the afflicted are tendered the works of mercy; and the members of Christ grow in likeness of their Head. In Mary all human nature is exalted. We rejoice in her birthday – September 8th – as the Church has done from the earliest times. This is one of the three birthdays in the Church Calendar – the Birth of Jesus (December 25), the Birth of John the Baptist (June 24) and the Birthday of Mary.

On Our Lady’s birthday the Church celebrates the first dawning of redemption with the appearance in the world of the Savior’s mother, Mary. The Blessed Virgin occupies a unique place in the history of salvation. We rejoice that the Mother of God is our Mother, too. Let us often call upon the Blessed Virgin as “Cause of our Joy”, one of the most beautiful titles in her litany.



PARISH WORK DAY

Saturday, September 9th
8:00am – 3:00pm

Lunch will be provided.