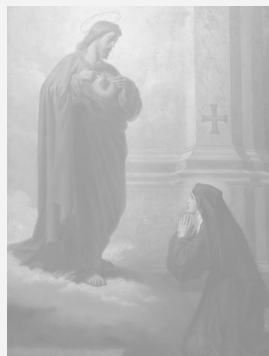


Sunday, October 16, 2016
22nd Sunday after Pentecost



- Sun. 16 Oct. 22nd Sunday after Pentecost, II Class**
 8:00 am †Kathy Neff
 10:30 am Pro Populo
 1:30 pm †Paul Laubacher, Sr.
 6:00 pm FSSP
- Mon. 17 Oct. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin, III Class**
 7:00 am Christopher & Nweni Magabo
 12:15 pm †Sarah Nduta
- Tues. 18 Oct. St. Luke the Evangelist, II Class**
 7:00 am Jordan Aranas
 6:30 pm Mr. & Mrs. Steve Christenson
- Wed. 19 Oct. St. Peter of Alcantara, Confessor, III Class**
 7:00 am Christopher & Nweni Magabo
 12:15 pm Susan Miller
- Thurs. 20 Sept. St. John Cantius, Confessor, III Class**
 7:00 am Holy Souls
 6:30 pm Martina Amelia Castro
- Fri. 21 Oct. Feria, IV Class**
 7:00 am †Paul Laubacher, Sr.
 12:15 pm †Clark Baccay
 6:30 pm †Leonida Magabo
- Sat. 22 Oct. Saturday of Our Lady, IV Class**
 7:00 am Matthew Gallagher
 9:00 am †Delia Villalpando
- Sun. 23 Oct. 23rd Sunday after Pentecost, II Class**
 8:00 am Fr. John Lyons, FSSP
 10:30 am Pro Populo
 1:30 pm Jeremy Westmark
 6:00 pm Rex & Serena Mohun

...In Memoriam

- †Richard Corbin, †Mikyla Pina Mutuc,
 †Joseph Michael Jaeger †Jerry Risse, †Anne Cummings,
 †Joe S. Villegas, †Lena G. Villegas, †William Philkill,
 †Fr. Carota, †Linda Merino, †Kathy Solari,
 †Maria Lopresti, †George Klopff

Important Upcoming Dates

- Oct. 18—28th Anniversary of the FSSP
 Oct. 19—Holy League for Men
 Oct. 30—Feast of Christ the King
 Oct. 31—All Saints Eve Party
 Nov. 12—Women’s Retreat
 Nov. 24—Thanksgiving
 Jan. 21—West Coast Walk for Life
 March 11—Confirmation
 April 23—Live Performance of “Faustina”
 July 23—27—Annual Retreat

Our Duties

The teachings contained in the Mass of this Sunday can be synthesized in the well known statement of Jesus, which we read in the Gospel of this day: “Render. . . to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s, and to God, the things that are God’s”; in other words, fulfill with exactness your duties toward God and toward your neighbor, by giving to each one his due.

The Epistle presents St. Paul to us as a model of charity toward those whom God has confided to his care. “I have you in my heart,” writes the Apostle to the Philippians, “for that in my hands and in the defense and confirmation of the Gospel, you all are partakers of my joy.” St. Paul is keenly aware of his spiritual paternity toward the souls he has begotten in Christ; even from a distance, he feels responsible for their success, is preoccupied with their perseverance in good, sustains them with his fatherly affection and wise counsels: “Being confident of this very thing, that He, who hath begun a good work in you, will perfect it unto the day of Christ Jesus.” He does not want them to be frightened because he is far away from them: he is nothing but a poor instrument, God alone is the true guide of souls, and He will complete the work begun. As for him, they may be certain that he does not cease to love them: “For God is my witness how I long after you all in the heart of Jesus Christ.”

St. John Chrysostom asserts that the heart of Paul is the heart of Christ because of the great love for souls which makes him so like the Redeemer; thus should it be possible to say of the heart of every apostle. When God has put us in contact with a soul and has asked us to occupy ourselves with it, we can no longer be disinterested; this soul is henceforth bound to ours, we should feel responsible for it, and bound to help it even to the end.

After having spoken to us of the solicitude we should have for those confided to our care, the Epistle reminds us also of charity toward our neighbor in general: “That your charity may more and more abound in knowledge and in all understanding: that you may approve the better things.” He speaks of a charity increasingly delicate in its understanding of the souls of others, adapting itself with an ever more refined tact to the mind, the demands, the tastes of others; a charity which must urge us, as St. Paul says, to “approve” - and therefore, to do— “the better things,” in order that we “may be sincere and without offence unto the day of Christ.” (taken from *Divine Intimacy* by Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, O.C.D.)

From the Pastor

It’s almost impossible to exaggerate the harm that pornography has done and is doing both on an individual and societal basis. It harms the souls of those who engage in it, and it harms their relationships with others. It can render young men and women unfit for both religious and married life. It can destroy the religious vocations and marriages of those who have already entered into them. It is straight from hell. We must protect ourselves and our families from this all pervasive evil influence. Parents who allow their children unsupervised access to the internet, television, and other means of secular social communication are seriously negligent. Susceptible adults who take no steps to protect themselves from exposure to pornography when making use of these same electronic media are most imprudent, placing themselves unnecessarily into an occasion of serious sin. Not only must we be on our guard against all “hardcore” pornography, but all so-called “softcore” as well. “Softcore” is found on many television ads and regular TV programming; on billboards; as well as in advertisements on the internet, in newspapers and magazines. It may be as death dealing to the soul as the “hardcore.” Admittedly, it can’t always be avoided. But when it can’t, we want to turn away from it as quickly as possible. In order to do that, however, we must have a strong prayer and sacramental life. Those who have become addicted must avail themselves of all supernatural and natural means to overcome it. One possible place to look for help is the website “Reclaim Sexual Health.” For those seeking protection for themselves and their families when using the internet, the website “Covenant Eyes” is recommended.

40 Days For Life

September 28-November 6
 All are asked to be generous with their time, and to come spend just one hour as often as you like! 1442 Ethan Way, Monday through Friday 7 am—7 pm. We offer women help, compassionate support, and encouragement so that they are better able to choose life for their babies.

2016 All Saints' Eve Party

Monday, October 31st
 5:00 - 5:30 Litany of Saints
 5:30 - 6:30 Parade of Saints (signups required)
 6:30 - 8:00 Food & Games
 8:00 - 8:30 Campfire stories
 8:30 - 9:00 Clean-up
 Enjoy an evening celebrating the Saints and Friends of the Church!
 Food - Games - Candy - Petting Zoo - Pumpkins!
 Cost is free but families are asked to contribute two bags of candy prior to the event.
 Candy and cash donations accepted in the bookstore.
 For more information, contact Judy Kasak
 916-989-1086 judikasak@gmail.com.

Men’s Holy League

The Men’s Holy League will be meeting for the second time this coming Wednesday, Oct 19th. We had a good turnout last month; we’re hoping for an even better one this month. The evening begins with Holy Hour at 7 p.m., during which time confessions will be heard. A talk to the men is then given by one of the priests in the hall. We conclude with some light refreshments. Come and bring a friend.

Women’s Retreat

The priests of St. Stephen’s are offering a one day retreat for the women of the parish (women from outside the parish are invited to participate, as well). It will be held on Saturday, November 12th. Lunch will be provided. There is no cost, but we do ask you to fill out a registration form (available in the vestibule) so that we can plan accordingly. Hope you can make it!

Knights of Columbus

The Knights are looking for many good men! Our parish now has it’s own council. Please join our fraternity. An information booth is set up in the courtyard today. Stop in to learn more.

Holy Souls Novena of Masses

There will be a Novena of Masses offered for the Holy Souls beginning on All Souls Day, November 2nd. You can include the names of your loved ones by using the envelopes provided and placing them in the collection basket or turning them in to the office or bookstore before November 2nd.

Brown Bag Lunch Program

Thank you to all for your continued support of the Brown Bag Lunch Program! The Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament is very grateful. Items most needed for next month are: easy- to-open meats, bottled water, and fruit cups.

2017 Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela

Full: April 20th to June 7th (480 Miles)
 Partial: May 13th to June 7th (180+ Miles)
 Interested or need more details? Contact me at 916-548-4944 or johnrsheldon@yahoo.com.
 Please Note: There are options available for those with less time or physical abilities. **This is not a packaged tour with a fixed price.** Approximate cost is \$3000 to \$3500. All expenses paid by individual. Average daily distance is 15 miles.

Please Keep in Your Prayers ...

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 Barbara Graichen, Sue McGrath, Lorraine Peterson,
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 Sandy Sneary, Barbara Jeong, Beverly Longtin, MaryDaley,
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MASS SCHEDULE TRADITIONAL ROMAN RITE

- Sunday:** 8:00 a.m. Low Mass
10:30 a.m. High Mass
1:30 p.m. Low Mass
6:00 p.m. Low Mass
- Monday:** 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.
- Tuesday:** 7:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday:** 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m.
- Thursday:** 7:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
- Friday:** 7:00 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
- Saturday:** 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.
- Holy Days:** Please call the office or consult the bulletin or website

CONFESSION

- One half hour before all Masses
- Saturdays 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

EXPOSITION AND BENEDICTION THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT

- Thursday:** 3:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m.
- Friday:** After 6:30 p.m. Mass
- Saturday:** After 7:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. (Holy Hour for Vocations)
- First Friday:** Benediction after 12:15 p.m. Mass

SICK CALLS

If anyone is in need of the Sacraments (i.e. homebound) please call the parish office. If it is an **emergency**, outside of office hours, dial (916) 455-5114, then press 1, and the priest-on-call will be paged immediately.

DEVOTIONS

- Rosary:**
- Sunday: 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and after the 1:30 p.m. Mass
 - Following the 12:15 p.m. Mass on weekdays
- Holy Face Novena:** 5:30 p.m. every Tuesday
- St. Monica Novena:** First Thursday of every month, following the 6:30 p.m. Mass
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena:** after 6:30 p.m. Mass every Tuesday
- Fatima Procession:** 13th of every month- May to October - following the 6:30 p.m. Mass on weekdays, the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Saturdays, and the 1 p.m. Mass on Sundays
- Men's Holy League:** 3rd Wednesday of each month. Holy Hour 7pm—8 pm

NEW TO ST. STEPHEN'S?

Registration forms are available in the Parish Office or Bookstore.

ENVELOPES AND ON-LINE GIVING

Envelopes are very helpful for our bookkeeping. PLEASE pick them up in the Parish Office or Bookstore.

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www.sacfssp.com

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