Sunday, May 1, 2016 St. Joseph the Worker



Sun. 1 May 8:30 am 10:30 am 1:00 pm	St. Joseph the Worker, I Class Edward Joseph Pierini III Family Pro Populo †Joseph Michael Jaeger
3:00 pm	Vespers & Benediction
Mon. 2 May 7:00 am 12:15 pm	<u>St. Athanasius</u> , Bishop, Confessor & Doctor, III Class Raymond Alatorry & Family Dolores Cabral
Tues. 3 May 7:00 am 6:30 pm	<u>Feria.</u> <i>IV Class</i> Mary Gwen McQuown Richard Corbin
Wed. 4 May 7:00 am 12:15 pm	Vigil of the Ascension, , II Class Family of Jeffrey & Elena Inferrera Tessa & Jeremiah Francois
Thurs. 5 May 7:00 am 12:15 pm	Ascension of the Lord, I Class †Margaret Gertken FSSP
7:00 pm	Saint Monica Sodality
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...In Memoriam

†Edward Coleman, †Marilyn Goyette, †Gilbert Perry
†Ruth Rodgers, †Concepcion Cristi, †Mary Gilbert,
†Mary Foose, †William Munsill, †Richard Corbin,
†Mikyla Pina Mutuc, †Joseph Michael Jaeger
†Jerry Risse, †Anne Cummings

Important Upcoming Dates

May 2—Rogation Procession & Mass 12:00 pm
May 5—Ascension of Our Lord
May 7—First Holy Communion
May 14—May Procession & Solemn Mass
May 15—Talk by Fr. Josef Bisig, FSSP & Potluck
May 28—FSSP Priestly Ordinations
May 28—Graduation Mass 1:30 pm
June 19-25—Camp Sacred Heart
July 10—14—Silent Retreat
Aug. 7—Finding of the Relics of St. Stephen —Pig Roast &
Square Dance

Sept. 5-14—CSP Pilgrimage to Ireland

Mary's Hope

In the *Magnificat*, the canticle which burst forth from Mary's heart when she visited her cousin Elizabeth, we find an expression which specially reveals Mary's interior attitude. "My soul doth magnify the Lord...because He hath regarded the humility of His handmaid." When Mary spoke these words, they revealed the "great things" which God had done in her; but, considered in the framework of her life, they expressed the continual movement of her heart, which, in the full awareness of her nothingness, would turn always to God with the most absolute hope and trust in His aid. No one had a more concrete, practical *knowledge* of her nothingness than Mary; she understood well that her whole being, natural as well as supernatural, would be annihilated if God did not sustain her at every moment. She knew that whatever she was and had, in no way belonged to her, but came from God, and was the pure gift of His liberality. Her great mission and the marvelous privileges which she had received from the Most High did not prevent her from seeing and feeling her "lowliness." But far from disconcerting or discouraging her in any way-as the realization of our nothingness and wretchedness often does to us-her humility served as a starting point from which she darted to God with stronger hope. The greater the knowledge of her nothingness and weakness became, the higher her soul mounted in hope. That is why, being really poor in spirit, she did not trust in her own resources, ability, or merits, but put all her confidence in God alone. And God, who "sends the rich away empty, and fills the hungry with good things," satisfied her "hunger" and fulfilled her hopes, not only by showering His gifts on her, but by giving Himself to her in all His plenitude.

(taken from *Divine Intimacy*, written by Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen, O.C.D.)

From the Pastor

Much interest was expressed in last week's sermon on the "Seven Daily Habits of Holy Apostolic People." The sermon itself was based on an article written by Fr. C. John McCloskey III. In case you're having trouble remembering the seven daily habits you'll find them listed below:

- 1. The Morning Offering (and don't forget the "heroic moment" that precedes it, i.e., getting up on time!)
- 2. At least 15 minutes of silent prayer (speaking to the Lord from your heart)
- 3. 15 minutes of spiritual reading
- 4. Participating in Holy Mass and Holy Communion
- 5. The Angelus (or, Regina Caeli during the Easter Season) at noon
- 6. The Rosary
- 7. Brief examination of conscience

Month of May – Month of Mary Pray the Rosary!

Fr. Josef Bisig, FSSP to Visit St. Stephens

Fr. Bisig, co-founder of the Priestly Fraternity of St. Peter and Rector of Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary will visit St. Stephens and be celebrant at the Solemn Mass at the cathedral on May 14th.

Father will also give a talk after Vespers on the 15th about the foundation of the Fraternity. Following the talk we will have a potluck in the gym.

Please bring your family to meet Fr. Bisig!

Rogation Day

The Rogation Day Procession and Mass will be held here at St. Stephen's. It will take place this Monday May 2, beginning at 12 noon. Bring a picnic, if you like, to enjoy after Mass.

Camp Sacred Heart 2016

Camp Sacred Heart will be held June 19—25 this year. Registration is open to boys age 9—18, boys unknown to the chaplain must get a letter of recommendation from a priest.

For more information call the parish office or 916-223-3112. Forms may be obtained by e-mail @ stephenproto@yahoo.com

You may also stop by the parish office or bookstore.

Sponsors needed for Camp

If you are able to help sponsor a boy for camp, there is a great need, especially for large families. Your help is very much appreciated!

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∼ Congratulations to Matthew & Jennifer Gallagher on
 the birth of their second child, Michael James. Michael
 was baptized on April 30th at St. Stephens.

8th Annual Great Marian Procession Saturday—May 14

8:00 am—Arrive East Lawn Cemetery, 4300 Folsom Blvd. 8:30 am—Procession begins 3 1/2 mile walking rosary pilgrimage

11:00 am—Solemn Mass at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament

* Help make it possible! Donations are needed to cover event expenses; please find donation envelopes located at the entrance to St. Stephen Church or donate online. * Don't miss out on this spectacular day honoring our glorious Mother Mary! Find all information & video on the site:

www.BringMary.com

Five Lessons in Spiritual Combat

Preached by Fr. Simon Harkins, FSSP July 10-14

Retreat is over HALF full—sign up today!

The retreat is open to men and women age 18 and over. For more information call: 916-223-3112

Brown Bag Lunch Program

Thank you to all for your continued support of the Brown Bag Lunch Program! We made 223 bags this month. 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

A Confraterníty of St. Peter pílgrímage to… <u>Holy Ireland</u> Wíth Fr. Símon Harkíns, FSSP Sept. 5—14, 2016

For more information call: 916-223-3112 or 1-800-334-5425 Or visit: <u>www.syversentouring.com/confraternity</u>

Please Keep in Your Prayers ...

Mike Hayes, Jim Carlson, Mike McGrath, Renee Burns, Barbara Graichen, Sue McGrath, Lorraine Peterson, John Reyes, Patricia Becker, Augustine Guzman, Luis Salazar, Paulette Brady, James Reslock, Sandy Sneary, Barbara Jeong, Eleanor Roberts, Fr. Carota, Beverly Longtin, Mary Daley, Ramon Daley, John Newaz





Devotions

Rosary: Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m., after the 1p.m. Mass and five minutes after many weekday Masses

Holy Face Novena: 5:30 p.m. every Tuesday

St. Monica Novena: First Thursday of every month, after 6:30 p.m. Mass

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena: after 6:30 p.m. Mass every Tuesday

Fatima Procession: 13th of the month May to October

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.

For **on-line giving** go to the parish website: www.sacfssp.com

St. Bernadette Fund-to aid parishioners in need! Donations may be made on-line.

Parish Swap

Do you have items you no longer need? List them by contacting Rose-Mary at ParishSwap@gmail.com View available items by clicking on the "links" outton on the front page of www.sacfssp.com