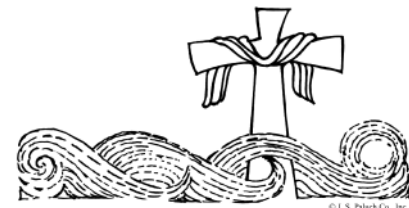


Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 25, 2010

You were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.— *Colossians 2:12*



Pastoral Corner

AN INVITATION FROM FATHER TOM :

Unless you've been sleeping through my last couple of homilies, you've heard me speak about the exciting developments regarding the Amador Catholic Community. Part of that news involves a youth center for all the young Catholics in Amador County, a subject that is dear to my heart.

Raising our youth involves something else, though, and that is the **formation of their faith**. Assuring that our children are educated and grounded in their Catholic faith is something I can't stress enough. While it is *key* for parents to reinforce Christian values in their children's lives, the Catholic Church also takes responsibility to *catechize* our children—our most treasured gifts. *Catechesis* is the "education in the faith of children, young people and adults which includes especially the teaching of Christian doctrine imparted, generally speaking, in an organic and systematic way, with a view to initiating the hearers into the fullness of Christian life." (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, paragraph 5 of the prologue, quoting John Paul II)

In **St. Patrick Parish**, we are in great need of additional teachers, or *catechists*. You've been seeing the recent bulletin flyers showing photo collages of Faith Formation activities and perhaps wondered how you can be involved. I don't often make specific requests of our parishioners, but I am now officially asking that you prayerfully consider how you might share your faith with our young people. If you've heard the whisper of the Holy Spirit in your ear, He may be calling you to this important task. Catechists do receive training, mentoring, and support *before and during* their service. Our Faith Formation program has catechists now who are fine teachers. We just don't have enough of them! Please contact any of them to ask about their own experiences. They will gladly share with you how being a catechist has enriched not only the lives of the children, but their own. Today's bulletin insert shows some of our catechists at work.

"Here I am, Lord." *Use me!* To answer the call, please contact our Director of Religious Education, **Susan Kirkwood-Yates**, at our Parish Center in Jackson, 223-0168, or skirkwoodyates@stpatparish.org. Thank you for remembering that, with God's grace, our youth is our hope for tomorrow!

Fr. Tom

Prayer List



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Serving in the Middle East:

Josh Bannon, Mason Canale, Dr. Craig Edwards, Kano J. Hernandez, Mark Hill, Anthony Moreno, Lisa O'Connor, Kendall Woodard, Alexander Voss

Names will remain on the prayer list for one month unless otherwise requested. E-mail bulletin@stpatparish.org or telephone 223-0168 to submit names.

Photo Directories

Fred Hall, Kathie Kems, Judy McLeod, Justin Metcalf, Mely Phelan, Please visit the Parish Office in Jackson to pick up your photo directory.

Amador Catholic Teens

Come to the Water at Immaculate Conception Church **Saturday, August 14 from 2 - 5 pm**. Bring your whole family for Games, BBQ, and lots of fun. Meet new friends and reconnect with old ones. Learn about ACT, Amador Catholic Teens, our new combined youth group. Come for the fun, stay for Mass and BBQ. Mass begins at 6:00 p.m. Gather in the parking lot of the Immaculate Conception Church on North Amelia Street in Sutter Creek. RSVP by Email to act@amadorcatholics.org Please indicate number attending and ages of children.

Gift of Life

Please pray for these expectant mothers, so that mother and baby are safely delivered:



Megan Buchanan, Andrea Edmonds Clark, Jennell Courville, Jaclyn Shoda Galica, Anna Hoesser, Miriam Munzar, Annie Crew-Renzo, Jennifer Peckinpaugh

Email bulletin@stpatparish.org or call 223-0168 to submit a name

Mass Intentions

Saturday	7/24	4:30 PM	Robert Rank †
		6:00 PM	People of the Parish
Sunday	7/25	8:00 AM	Bob Gallo †
		9:30 AM	William Doherty †
		11:00 AM	All Souls
Monday	7/26	8:00 AM	NO MASS
Tuesday	7/27	8:00 AM	All Souls
		9:30 AM	Helen Waugh & Charlotte Gawronski††
Wednesday	7/28	8:00 AM	Matthew Runte †
Thursday	7/29	8:00 AM	Fr. Jude Nguyen †
Friday	7/30	8:00 AM	All Souls
		9:30 AM	All Souls
Saturday	7/31	4:30 PM	People of the Parish
		6:00 PM	All Souls
Sunday	8/01	8:00 AM	William Giannini †
		9:30 AM	Frank & Agnes Garcia†
		11:00 AM	Robert Elton †

Parents/Grandparents!

Would your son or daughter like to learn about becoming an altar server for Sunday Mass? We are looking for additional servers at all three parish churches; St. Patrick, St. Bernard and Our Lady of the Pines.

Requirements: Student must have completed the 4th year of Faith Formation class and have celebrated First Eucharist.

Parents and children are invited to attend Altar Server Training on Monday **August 2, 6:30 – 8 pm, St. Patrick Church**, Jackson. Regardless of where you normally attend Mass in St. Patrick parish, everyone should attend this session. Follow-up sessions will be held at St. Bernard and Our Lady of the Pines as necessary.

Questions? Call Chris Fenton @ 223-2802 or St. Patrick office @ 223-0168.

Life Line Screening

St. Patrick Parish at Our Lady of the Pines - Haran Hall is pleased to offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive, painless health screenings on **Tuesday, September 21, 2010**. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries, which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat, which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for the Stroke, Vascular Disease and Heart Rhythm Package for \$139. All four ultrasound screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Your Health is in Your Hands, so call 1-888-653-6441 to pre-register.

This Week in the Parish

Saturday July 24

St. Vincent DePaul Beggar's Sunday

Sunday July 25

- **12 noon** Meet & Greet ~ St. Patrick Hall
- **12 noon** Mass at Silver Lake ~ through September 5th

Monday July 26

Tuesday July 27

Wednesday July 28

- **6:30 p.m.** Be Not Afraid Small Prayer Group ~ Parish Center

Thursday July 29

Friday July 30 OFFICE CLOSED

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament ~ Our Lady of the Pines Church, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Adoration **SUSPENDED** at St. Patrick Church
- **10:00 a.m.** Choir Practice ~ Our Lady of the Pines, Haran Hall
- **7:00 p.m.** Knights of Columbus Bible Study ~ Various locations

Saturday July 31

Sunday August 1

Monthly Collection for Building & Renovation Fund

- **10:30 a.m.** Hospitality Sunday ~ Our Lady of the Pines, Haran Hall
- **12 noon** Mass at Silver Lake ~ through September 5th

Pure Fashion Show

July 31, 2010

The Third Annual Pure Fashion Show will be held at the CSU Sacramento Student Union Ballroom. It's an evening of high fashion, dinner boutique, and entertainment featuring a "Back to School" theme. Pure Fashion is a faith-based program that encourages teen girls, 14-18 to live, act, and dress in accordance with their dignity as children of God. The Pure Fashion program culminates in a professional fashion show featuring clothing that is pretty but not provocative, trendy but still tasteful. Special guests include America's Next Top Model finalist Leah Darrow, Christian vocalist Jeremy Bermender and hosted by Lilly Cortez, Executive Producer of News10's Sacramento & Company. One of our parishioners, *Michelle Burns*, will be participating in the PURE FASHION SHOW. Tickets are available at www.purefashionsacramento.eventbrite.com or from Michelle via the parish office at 223-0168.

Faith Formation

Young minds need inspiring teachers