

# 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 2, 2009

## Pastor's Desk

### GREETINGS

The Church has taught that the Most Holy Eucharist is the source and summit of the Christian life. Since last weekend readings and this weekend as well are Eucharistic in tune I would like to say a few words about it today. In last's Sunday's gospel we heard that the Lord Jesus took the loaves—took the bread—gave thanks and then distributed them to the five thousand people gather there. In the multiplication of the loaves of bread by our Lord we saw a sign of Jesus himself who is the real heavenly bread. The Eucharist was already prefigured in the Manna given to the Israelites in the dessert, in the feeding of the multitude. And in this weekend's gospel Jesus tells us: "It was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world". As we go through the Scripture readings beginning last weekend and this one as well. It seems that there is a movement or a call, we may say, for a radical conversion: we go from meat in Egypt to manna in the desert. We are called to leave the old self and become a new creation—the old person to the new—from food which does not satisfy and perishes to the bread of life. In other words we can say that we are called from slavery to freedom and from death to life. In our spiritual pilgrimage Sunday after Sunday we are strengthen by the Body and Blood of Christ which contains our pledge of eternity. For the Lord has promised us: "Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day" (John 6:54).

As all of you know, on Thursday August 6, Bishop Daniel F. Walsh will be here at our parish to celebrate my installation as your pastor. I think it will be a great opportunity for each and every one of us to celebrate our faith together. The installation will take place within the celebration of the Eucharist at 6:30pm. Together with the Bishop there will be many priests of our Diocese of Santa Rosa who will concelebrate. Two former pastors of this parish will be here to take part of the installation: Father Gary J. Lombardi, Pastor of Saint Vincent de Paul Church in Petaluma and Father Michel Culligan, Pastor of Saint James Church in Petaluma.

Once again I would like to thank each and every one of you for help and support. I am aware that many of our brothers and sisters are working hard to make my installation a beautiful event. I cannot thank you enough. Please mark your calendars and make sure you join us for that occasion. I want to thank my brother priests who will be attending. I am aware of their long drive and their effort and I am honored by their presence. I also want to thank our brother deacons, their wives and seminarians attending.

May the Lord keeps us all in his love and peace.

### BLESSINGS

*Father Ismael Mora*

## Backpacks Ministry



It's that time of year again! Betty Chinn's Homeless Ministry is trying to supply new backpacks and school supplies to local needy children for the coming school year. If you would like to help, please bring them to the Bucklin

box in the back of Church or to the rectory during office hours 9:00am-1:30pm. For more information call 616-7399 or 496-8520. We generally need about 140 filled backpacks. THANK YOU for your support!

### St. Vincent de Paul Society

Always needs our help. Your extra bags and coat hangers as well as non-perishable foods may be taken to the store at 2<sup>nd</sup> & G Streets. Call 443-8676 if you have donations of furniture, clothing or household goods. Also if you would like to volunteer to serve lunch at the dining room, please call 445-9588.

### Sacred Heart Parish Web Site

[sacredheartweb.org](http://sacredheartweb.org)

Our parish web site has a new feature: The Year of the Priest. Pope Benedict XVI declared a year of the priest in an effort to encourage "spiritual perfection" in priests. The pope will open the special year with a vespers service at the Vatican June 19—the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the day for the sanctification of priests. He will close the celebrations during a World Meeting of Priests in St. Peter's Square June 19, 2010. Click on the link to find out more.

### Web presence – Linden Lentz

[llentz@suddenlink.net](mailto:llentz@suddenlink.net)

### Fr. Eric Freed's weekly study group

Is on Wednesday nights is going on hiatus for the summer. The next meeting will be on **Wednesday, September 2** when they resume studying the gospel of Matthew. Several people from Sacred Heart have been attending and recommend it highly. Call 822-6057 for more information.

### Going on Vacation this summer!

No matter where you go this summer, don't forget your parish back home. If you will be out of town on a Saturday, Sunday, please make your weekly donation by mail before you leave. Your parish depends upon your help to pay the bills even when you're not home.

### Mass intentions

The suggested donation for all Masses is \$10. Checks should be made out to "Fr. Mora."

To request a Mass Intention, please stop by the Parish Rectory,

The name of the person intended for the Mass will appear in the Bulletin on the week the Mass is scheduled to be celebrated. A card is available.

A Mass card is like a sympathy card with space available to list the mass or Masses that you have requested. These cards are picked up at the Parish Rectory; they are not mailed out.

### St. Bernard's High – 10<sup>th</sup> Annual ALL ALUMNI Reunion Sat. Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>

At 6:30pm in St. Bernard's Auditorium. No Host Beverages, 7:30 Dinner and Raffle for Alumni Scholarship. Cost is \$25 / person. Call Julie at 725-3254 to make reservations by August 1<sup>st</sup>.

### SACRED HEART LIBRARY



Our Parish Library is OPEN for your use. We have a nice couch for reading and table and chairs for study. Please come by to visit! We are also in need of donations of *Spanish religious reading materials and music* for our Library. Please bring them to the Rectory.

### Fr. Mora's Installation.

Thurs., August 6<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm, with Bishop Walsh. Following with a Reception afterwards in the parish center see you there.

## Going away Reception for Elizabeth Simovich



Who'll begin her studies to become a nun this fall. Join us on Sun., August 9<sup>th</sup>. After the 10:30 mass in the Parish Center. All Parishioners are Welcome to come and celebrate with her. Contact Bonnie

McGuire at 443-0577 to help out.

## Baptism Classes

English Baptism classes will be held the first Thursday of the month at 6:30pm and the Spanish baptism class will on the first Wednesday of the month also at 6:30pm in the Rectory. Please call the office to make an appointment.

## PLATE COLLECTIONS

The weekly amount needed to sustain our Parish is \$3,442.00



Aug 1/2<sup>en</sup>: The Holy Father

Aug 8/9<sup>th</sup>: Restoration and Repair

Aug 29/30<sup>th</sup>. St. Vincent de Paul

**Thank you for your generous and faithful support of our Parish**

## Bulletin Announcements

The regular deadline for bulletin announcements is Wednesday by 1:30, Please send your information to "Attention Bulletin" –Sacred Heart Church 2085 Myrtle Ave, Eureka CA 95501 or via email at

[sacredheartbulletine@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartbulletine@gmail.com)

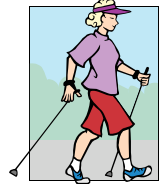
All items are subject to approval and editing.

If you need your announcement published for more than 2 weeks, it will need to be reworded and submitted again.



The CASA Kid Walk season is gearing up and needs you!

Starting at the Launch Party on August 15<sup>th</sup>, Kid Walk Teams raise awareness and funds for forgotten, abused children who need a permanent home. The Launch Party is an opportunity for team and solo-superhero walkers to compete for prize money toward their fundraising goals, pick up Kid Walk materials, and meet their mentor.



During the season, walkers of all ages raise awareness and funds in lots of fun ways, including holding bake sales, hosting dinners, setting out donation cans, getting sponsorships from friends and family, creating an online fundraising webpage, organizing fun events or activities, and more!.

The Sixth Annual Kid Walk takes place on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>. 5k walkers begin at 9:30, 2k walkers begin at 10, and all event participants complete the "Champions for Children Victory Lap" together starting at 11am.

Register yourself or your team online at [www.humboltdcasa.org](http://www.humboltdcasa.org) or by calling 443.3197. For more information call Amberlee Ringwald at (707) 616-5895 or email @ [aringwa454@yahoo.com](mailto:aringwa454@yahoo.com).

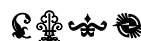
## Attention Musicians

### "Music & Singers"

We wish to invite and to encourage anyone who plays or wishes to learn to play any instruments to the ongoing weekly music gatherings; singers are definitely welcome to sing praises to our Dear Lord on a weekly basis. Hope you will bless us with your presence sometime. Looking forward to seeing you there on Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm. Call Deb 443-8429 **for location**. It **(changes week to week)**

## Reader Schedules

Are at the back of the church Please pick yours up after mass. You can help us cut our mailing costs. Thank you.



There will be no Spanish mass on Sundays, instead it will be held on Saturday's at 7:00pm during the summer. Please make note of this

# Prayer Intentions for the Week

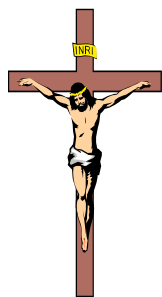


Sat. Aug 01 - 5:00 + Helen Radford Zervas  
 Sat. Aug 01 - 7:00 - Int. Frances Garcia E.  
 Sun Aug 02 - 8:30 + Clifford Hestdalen

## **BAKED GOODS NEEDED "Cookies & sweet breads" for Fr. Mora's Installation**



On Thursday Aug 6<sup>th</sup>. After the 6:30 mass. They can be dropped off at the Parish house during office hours. "Wed and Thursday between 9-1:30 or before mass on Thursday; the parish center will be open at 5:00\_for you're convince... Link will be providing the cakes and coffee, punch. For more information call Joan Bronder "442-7117"



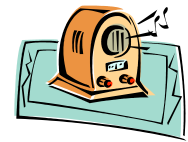
## **CRUCIFIX DONATIONS:**

We have received \$1,400 in donations so far! If you would like to make a donation we would greatly appreciate any amount. Please make checks out to Sacred Heart Church, and please write

"Crucifix" at the bottom of check. You may drop it in the collection basket, mail it in or give it to Fr. Moro personally.

Sun. Aug 02 - 10:30 - Int. Dan Leppek

## **Immaculate Heart Radio Look**



for 1400AM RADIO KIH

(K-Immaculate Heart Humboldt).



## **Beginning in September.**

We are now taking applications for both English and the Hispanic groups, Forms are available on the table in the narthex and at the rectory. This also includes Confirmation". **Please resister your children and teens as soon as possible to assure there are adequate supplies.** English CCD will start on Sept 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday Morning and Spanish CCD will start on Sept 19<sup>th</sup> the Saturday evenings. Confirmation class dates will be announced at a later time".

## **Benefit Golf Tournament**

For St. Bernard's Crusader Athletic Board at the Eureka golf course, at 4750 fairway dr, Eureka, CA on Saturday August 8<sup>th</sup> of 2009. \$100.00 per person includes green fees, lunch, and tea and raffle prizes. \$20, 00.00 hole in one prize on hole number 2 of the course. Five person teams with 7:30am shot gun start. Individuals and businesses can sponsor golf course holes for \$200.00 per hole. See Jim Pastorie for more information or call telephone number 707-834-2260

## **LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR August 8/9 (Second Sunday)**

	<b><u>READERS</u></b>	<b><u>USHERS</u></b>	<b><u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u></b>	<b><u>ALTAR SERVERS</u></b>
5:00 pm Sat	Chris Scott	Jerry Bronder	Susan Adelsperger Joan Bronder	Annalisa, CB Carolyn / Katrina
8:30am Sun	Tom Halliday	Dan Leppek	Bonnie McGuire Mary Ann De Reuter	Morgan D, CB Elizabeth./ Kalei

10:30am Sun Kelly  
Kutil Eddie  
Papsco/ Olivia,  
Carl  
Anne / Harrison or

Hake Frank  
Hannah/Mary  
CB  
Willoughby  
Genoveva Gomez  
Claire



## **Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

### **WHAT CAN YOU DO?**

The crowd wanted to know, “What can we do to accomplish the works of God?” (John 6:28). They were looking for a way to do miracles, signs, wonders, and they expected Jesus to prove himself by doing this for them, too. They had just witnessed the multiplication of the loaves, yet it seemed not to impress them! They were asking for yet another “sign.” Jesus directed their attention to the meaning of the miracles: God’s loving faithfulness to them in their need. Manna in the desert and loaves in the wilderness were the signs of Jesus’ gift of himself to us in love.

What Jesus was looking for in these people was an attentive heart. He wanted them to see that God was providing for their needs with love and faithfulness, and had always done so. But the people didn’t get it. They had just witnessed a miracle, and yet they still were asking for “a sign.” What counts as a sign? Do we need to be hit over the head? Every day we witness miracles, and yet we don’t really see them, or believe that they really come from God. Every day we are bread for each other, or someone is bread for us, and yet we do not make the connection! No doubt the people in the desert failed to connect the quail and the manna with their crying out to God for food. God answers our prayers and knows our needs, and sends people to us and us to others, and yet we look for other explanations of these “miracles” in our lives.

**BELIEVE!**

God's faithful love is shown all around us, every day. We cry out to God, and yet we often explain away God's answers to our prayers, looking for something more spectacular than merely what we need or even what we have asked for. We have what we need: the Bread of Life.

*Today's Readings: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15; Psalm 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Ephesians 4:17, 20-24; John 6:24-35*

## Questions for the weeks

- 1. The theme of God providing bread is continued in this week's readings. Why do you think that bread was used as a sign in Scripture?**
- 2. Jesus tells the crowd that they should be yearning, not for perishable food, but for food "that remains unto life eternal." As a disciple of Christ, what are you hungry for?**
- 3. Paul writes that, as Christians, we are called to live our lives in a certain way. How does your faith affect the way you live as a disciple?**

## MONASTIC VOCATION DISCERNMENT RETREAT

Fatima Devotions, Confession and  
Benediction, concluding at 9:00am.

Mount Angel Abbey Sponsors ovation  
discernment retreats for men between the ages  
of 16-40, several times per year. The next  
retreat is scheduled for the  
weekend of August 28-30, 2009.  
If you are interested in making a  
Monastic Discernment retreat,  
please contact Rev. Odo Recker,  
O.S.B., Director of Monastic Vocations, at (503-  
845-3123), or by email: [abbeyvocation@edu](mailto:abbeyvocation@edu).



## Day of Obligation

August 15th of 2009 "Saturday" Assumption of  
the Blessed Virgin Mary.

## Our lady of Fatima Devotions

First Saturday of every Month at 7:30am at  
St. Joseph Church, with the exposition of the  
blessed sacrament and the Rosary after Mass.

## PRIESTS FOR LIFE

**Assisting God's People to Proclaim,  
Celebrate and Serve the Gospel of  
Life.**

[WWW.PrayerCampaign.org](http://WWW.PrayerCampaign.org)