



Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

May 30, 2010

Praise the Holy Trinity, One God!

We Belong to the Family of Trinity

Dear Friends,

I have here a very familial message for all of us.

We like to belong to our family, parish, and community. We make great efforts to belong, and we want so much to belong. But do we know that the desire of our hearts to belong is answered by what we celebrate today – the Solemnity of the Most Blessed Trinity?

The celebration of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity offers us a window to see God as a family of Trinity – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, totally united in love for each other – a family inviting us to belong to the very life of love they share. God invites us to belong.

The invitation happens first when we were created in the image and likeness of God, and second when we were baptized. Since our baptism, we share and are drawn into the love and beautiful relationship at the heart of our Triune God. We were baptized in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. We were adopted by God as sons and daughters (brothers and sisters) on the day we were baptized. Indeed, through our baptism, we belong to a new family, the family of the Trinity.

Our belonging to the Trinitarian life is God's message for us that the life of the Trinity does not exist in solitary individualism but in a community of love and sharing. For this reason, God wants us to overcome every tendency of division and isolationism. In the act of our belonging, God wants us to be true to the universal family we belong to, a catholic family, a family rooted in the life of the Trinity.

Father Bart
Parochial Vicar

Mass for the Intentions Week

May 29 – June 5, 2010

		Intention	Requested By
Saturday, May 29	5 p.m.	Warren “Bud” Martin †	Alice Martin
Sunday, May 30	8 a.m.	Tony & Ron Skerl †	Skerl Family
	9:30 a.m.	Mary Kurian †	Sherly & John Arouge
	11 a.m.	I.D.S.T. (Santissima Trindade)	Joseph Goncalves
	12:30 p.m.	Nnamdi Uche †	Uche Family
	6 p.m.	St. John’s Parishioners	Brazilian Community
Monday, May 31	8 a.m.	George Blair †	Friends & Family
Tuesday, June 1	8 a.m.	George Blair †	Friends & Family
Wednesday, June 2	8 a.m.	Erlinda Pajuleras †	Pajuleras Family
Thursday, June 3	8 a.m.	Jose D. Ferreros †	Ferreros Family
Friday, June 4	8 a.m.	Peter Vietti †	Vietti Family
Saturday, June 5	8 a.m.	Paula Liu – Good Health	Grandma & Grandpa
	5 p.m.	Aladina Matteucci †	Gina Lencioni

Stewardship

Envelopes & EFT (180)	\$3,559
Loose Donations	<u>1,711</u>
Total Regular Collection	\$5,270
Vacation Bible Camp	\$1,374

Next Weekend: Parish & School Development

Please remember your parish in your will.

Year for Priests

The reason why a priest is lax is that he does not pay attention to the Mass! My God, how we ought to pity a priest who celebrates as if he were engaged in something routine!”

– St. John Vianney

Message of Stewardship

Today’s psalm reminds us that we have been crowned with glory and honor and given rule over the works of God’s hands. But we must be good stewards, for the Lord will surely hold us accountable for the use of those gifts!

Let Us Pray for the Sick:

Josephine Abbissinio, Dorothy Alexander, Evelyn Baker, Barbara Brendlinger, Elizabeth Brown, Jeffrey Chavez, Isabella Kristine Cruz, Deloris Davis, Juanita Estrellas, Narte Estrellas, Michael Fleming, Emilio Gallegos, Ann Gerletti, Teresa Grant, Domingos Gregorio, Joe Gressel, Betty Harrell, Frances Haynes, Steve Jeffre, Adie Kasari, Marsha Lightfoot, Maria Impang Lozada, Eric Lubrano, Fr. John Maxwell, Evelyn Miché, Lolita Parafina, Stephen Pellingra, Dina Pieroni, Leola Richardson, Sr. Mary Soong, Amy Stymer and Marilyn Sutton.

Please call the rectory to add or remove names.

NEW PARISHIONERS who would like to register or those who would like to update their information, please complete this form and place it in the collection basket.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____

E-mail _____

Portuguese Queens Celebration

At our 11 o'clock Mass this Sunday, May 30, we are hosting the Blessing of Queens procession in connection with the Portuguese Festival of the Holy Spirit.

This festival is staged by the Brotherhood of the Blessed Trinity. There will be another festival and Blessing of the Queens, conducted by the Brotherhood of St. John the Baptist, during the 11 a.m. Mass on Sunday, June 27.

This cherished cultural celebration dates back to 1296, when Queen St. Elizabeth saved the Portuguese from starvation. Her country was suffering from a famine because of an extended drought. At Pentecost, a major storm in the Atlantic forced ships laden with food to dock in Portugal. Queen Elizabeth sold her gold and jewels to purchase food from the ships to feed her people.

In gratitude, an annual procession was started from the royal palace to a peasant's church during the Pentecost season, with a peasant girl wearing the queen's cape and crown. The Catholic Church celebrates the memorial of St. Elizabeth on July 4.

Celebrating Restored Mission

Mission San Jose in Fremont is the East Bay's only California Mission. All are welcome to come and celebrate the 25th anniversary of the restoration of this historic site, as well as acknowledge the beginning of Christianity in the East Bay some 213 years ago.

Bishop Emeritus John Cummins will preside at the celebration of Mass at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 5, followed by a Eucharistic procession.

The festivities will conclude with a multicultural reception in the parish hall.

Bring your family and celebrate where it all began. For more information, call 656-1055 or 755-6783, or see www.saintjosephmsj.org.

Marian Celebration

The feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be celebrated from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 12, at Holy Rosary Church in Antioch.

Fr. Charles Becker of the Marian Movement of Priests will be the special guest.

For details, call (925) 757-4020

Blood Drive Next Sunday

Please plan to give blood at St. John's Parish Blood Drive next Sunday, June 6, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Community Center at 6500 Gladys Ave.

We had a good turnout in December, and the Blood Centers of the Pacific is depending upon us to help restock their blood reserves again this spring, when supplies run low.

A Spanish-speaking nurse and Spanish language forms will be available. For more information, please contact Joe Orr at 237-5568.

Catholic Voice On-Line

The Catholic Voice is now available online at www.catholicvoiceoakland.org

- Fr. Ian Mendoza ordained as the newest priest for the Oakland Diocese.
- Revised guidelines have been set for catechist formation in Oakland Diocese.
- Catholic non-profit directors fear governor's budget proposal will reduce or eliminate programs.
- Pope says sex abuse 'terrifying' sin within Church that requires purification and penance.
- HNU's president, Sr. Rosemarie Nassif, to retire July 1.
- Nun excommunicated, loses post over hospital decision on abortion.
- St. Vincent de Paul of Contra Costa County to open free dining hall in Pittsburg.
- Pope prods Catholics to adopt more forceful way of evangelizing in secularized society.
- . . . these, your favorite features, and much more.

Mother Speaks of War

An author and mother of an Iraqi vet, Susan Galleymore will read from her book *LONG TIME PASSING Mothers Speak About War & Terror* at 7:30 p.m. Friday, June 4, in the chapel of St. Joseph the Worker Church, 1640 Addison St. in Berkeley. Admission is free.

For details, please call 499-0537 or see www.mothersspeakaboutwarandterror.org. Books will be available for purchase.

'Egypt' Summer Camp Will Take Kids Back into History

St. John the Baptist Church invites all kids to "Egypt: Joseph's Journey From Prison to Palace," our ninth annual Vacation Bible Day Camp.

This summer event will be hosted at St. John's School & Church the last week of June, from June 21-25. Campers will step back in time to Egypt, exploring the life of Joseph. Kids will participate in a memorable Bible-times marketplace, sing catchy songs, play teamwork-building games, dig into Egyptian eats, visit Joseph in prison and then in his palace home, and collect Bible Memory Makers to remind them of God's Word.

Plus, everyone will learn to look for evidence of God all around them through something called God Sightings. Each morning program will conclude at Celebration – a time of upbeat worship that gets everyone involved. The afternoon day camp will offer additional special guests and ac-

tivities.

Kids at "Egypt" will join nearly a million participants blanketing Africa and Haiti with God's love through a hands-on mission project in association with an organization called Operation Kid-to-Kid. With Operation Kid-to-Kid, families will create soft blankets that will be sent to orphans and vulnerable children.

"Egypt" will run from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for morning campers, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for all-day campers each day. For more infor-

mation, call 233-6486.

Registration fee for morning campers is \$60, all-day campers \$160 (for sibling discounts, see registration form). Last call for the 10% early bird discount until Monday, May 31.

A registration form is available at church and school offices, plus the EGYPT link on the parish Web site, saintjohnthebaptistchurch.org.



Choral Group on Tour

Voices of Musica Sacra will celebrate the centenary of Samuel Barber by performing his complete choral works, including the beautiful *Agnus Dei* based on his *Adagio for Strings*, under direction of John Kendall Bailey (all times 7:30 p.m.).

- June 1 – First Unitarian Universalist Church, 1187 Franklin St., San Francisco
- June 4 – St. Stephen Catholic Church, 1101 Keaveny Ct., Walnut Creek
- June 6 – St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley.
- June 8 – Lafayette Orinda Presbyterian Church, 49 Knox Drive, Lafayette.

Advance tickets online at www.vmschorus.org, phone 1-800-838-3006 or at the door: \$20 adults, \$15 seniors/students, children 5-12 free.

School Enrollment Open

Enrollment applications for new students at St. John's are available in the school office. Call 234-2244, visit the office or make an appointment.

Summer Courses at DSPT

Summer courses at the Dominican School of Philosophy and Theology include iconography, Catholic social teaching, and praying like a mystic.

Courses are taught at the graduate academic level; persons who take courses for academic credit are expected to have a bachelor's degree or the equivalent.

Students who are new to DSPT may also take courses as auditors, for continuing education credits or as special students.

See on-line class descriptions at www.dspt.edu.

St. John's Seniors

St. John the Baptist Community Center
6500 Gladys St., corner of Lexington
Director: Jan Duckart 527-2850
Telephone 237-3808 on Tuesdays
12:45 p.m. Tuesday, June 2:
Bingo

June 2010

CC – Community Center

CC-2 – Community Center Upstairs

CH – Church

CR – Conference Room

DR – Dining Room

MR – Music Room

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 <i>Most Holy Trinity</i> (No Classes)	31 <i>Visitation</i> <i>Memorial Day</i>	1 9 am: Seniors (CC)	2 11:30: Women's Covenant (CC) 7:30: Youth Choir (CH)	3 6pm: GRIP Walk (CR) 6:30 pm: 8 am Choir 7:30: 11 am Choir	4 7:30: 12:30 Choir CH	5 Anointing of Sick after 8 am Mass (CH) 9 am: Pastoral Council
6 <i>Body & Blood of Christ</i> After 9:30 Mass: Coffee Hour 10 am-2 pm: Blood Drive (CC)	7 2 pm: St. John's 2020	8 <i>Election Day</i> Polling Place (CC)	9 11:30: Women's Covenant (CC) 7:30: Youth Choir (CH)	10 10: EC Royale Mass 6:30 pm: 8 am Choir 7:30: 11 am Choir	11 <i>Sacred Heart</i> 7:30: 12:30 Choir (CH)	12 <i>Immaculate Heart</i> 9:30: Liturgy Cmte
13 <i>11th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	14 7:30: Sister Parish (DR)	15 9 am: Seniors (CC)	16 11:30: Women's Covenant (CC) 7:30: Youth Choir (CH)	17 6:30 pm: 8 am Choir 7:30: 11 am Choir	18 7:30: 12:30 Choir CH	19
20 <i>12th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>Father's Day</i>	21 Vacation Bible Camp 7: Technology (CR)	22 Vacation Bible Camp 9 am: Seniors (CC)	23 Vacation Bible Camp 11:30: Women's Covenant (CC) 7:30: Youth Choir (CH)	24 <i>Nativity of</i> <i>St. John the Baptist</i> Vacation Bible Camp 6:30 pm: 8 am Choir 7:30: 11 am Choir	25 Vacation Bible Camp 7:30: 12:30 Choir (CH) Brazilian Prayers (CR)	26 9 am: Finance Cmte
27 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 pm: Mandarin Mass	28	29 <i>Ss. Peter & Paul</i> 9 am: Seniors (CC)	30 11:30: Women's Covenant (CC) 7:30: Youth Choir (CH)	1 6:30 pm: 8 am Choir 7:30: 11 am Choir	2 7:30: 12:30 Choir (CH)	3 <i>St. Thomas, Apostle</i> Anointing of Sick after 8 am Mass (CH) 9 am: Pastoral Council