

St. Joseph Parish

St. Joseph Catholic Church – 9961 Elk Grove Florin Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624-2560
St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church – 14673 Cantova Way, Rancho Murieta, CA 95683

February 05, 2012

Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time



Sunday Masses

St. Joseph - Sat.: 4:30pm; Sun.: 7:30, 9, 10:45am, 1pm (Spanish)

Daily Masses, Eucharistic Adoration

8am Mass, Monday – Friday, followed by rosary

First Friday, Mass 7pm; Adoration to 11pm

Adoration after daily Mass every Friday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 2:30pm – 3:30pm

(2nd & 4th Saturdays: Bilingual - English & Spanish)

PARISH OFFICE - Msgr. O'Connor Social Hall

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PARISH WEBSITE: www.stjoseph-elkgrove.net

Find us on Facebook:

St. Joseph Catholic Church (Elk Grove, CA)

Diocese of Sacramento website: www.diocese-sacramento.org/

Parish Priests: Fr. Rodolfo Llamas • Fr. Bony Arackal
Sunday Presider: Fr. David Klein, SJ • Deacon Dennis Merino

Ministry of Consolation

St Joseph Parish Ministry of Consolation to the Bereaved – Understanding Grief

Our next seven-session Support Group will begin **Tuesday, February, 7, 10am** in the St. Mary Room. These sessions are for those who have experienced the death of one's spouse, sibling, or other relative as well as the loss of a pet, a job, or a divorce, or the loss of a long time friend; these all produce grief. The greatest of these is the loss of a loved one. Grieving is one of the ways which helps us accept our loss. These sessions are once-a-week for seven weeks beginning at **10am to 11:30am**.

If you have any questions, please contact – Marlene Fadness at 684-2206.

Calling All Ministry Leaders

There will be a Ministry meeting on **Wednesday, February 8, at 6:30pm** in the Renwald Room. This meeting is to update our list of ministry leaders at St. Joseph Parish. If you cannot attend or have any questions, please contact Dennis Zanardi at (916) 226-0607 or email at: herd41@yahoo.com.

Annual Catholic Appeal Commitment Sunday coming soon!!

Annual Sweethearts Dinner

Knights of Columbus Annual Sweethearts Dinner Next Saturday, Feb. 11, at 5:30pm, in the Social Hall

It's time to treat your Valentine to a night of good eats, dancing and entertainment. The Annual Sweethearts Dinner tickets are being sold after each Mass **this weekend, Feb. 4 & 5, ONLY!** Tickets are \$15 each, and entitles you to a scrumptious **prime rib dinner!** What a bargain for all the food you'll get and the fun you'll have! **No host bar** begins at **5:30pm** and dinner starts at **6:30pm**. There will be a DJ with music for dancing, as well as a raffle. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Our next **Crab Feed** is scheduled for **March 10**, and we will begin selling tickets for it on the weekend of **February 18 & 19**, at \$35 each.

FCCWomen's Book Study

"7 Secrets of the Eucharist" by Vinny Flynn - a Fellowship of Catholic Christian Women Book Study.

FCCW continues with our study this year on the Eucharist. Please join us on **Thursday, Feb. 9 at 7pm**, in the **Msgr. Renwald Room** as we start this book and discover, The first secret: *The Eucharist is Alive*. A few books and study guides will be available for purchase at the meeting. For more information please contact Jeanne at 682-6432 or Geralyn at 685-6867.

Ash Wednesday is February 22

Church Family

Daily Mass Intentions

Sat: 02/04 Maria Gilda-Rocha † 4:30 pm
 People of SVDP (SI)RM 5:00 pm

Sun: 02/05 Joe Ohnemus † 7:30 am
 Fritz Ebeling †9:00 am
 People of SVDP (SI)RM 9:00 am
 Richard Tereau † 10:45 am
 Maria Esther Leguia de Garavito † 1:00 pm

Mon: 02/06 Anya Joseph (SI) 8:00 am

Tue: 02/07 Jackie DeWit † 8:00 am

Wed: 02/08 Sol Dideles (SI)8:00 am
 Mike Matthews †RM 8:30 am

Thu: 02/09 Roberto B. Ares (SI) 8:00 am

Fri: 02/10 Maximino Santos † 8:00 am

Sat: 02/11 Niki Cable-Martin † 4:30 pm
 Lopes Family (SI & †) RM 5:00 pm

Sun: 02/12 Geraldine Widing †7:30 am
 Walter Hernandez (SI)9:00 am
 Lillian Harris (SI)RM 9:00 am
 Generos Dizon Family (SI) 10:45 am
 Maria Esther Leguia de Garavito † 1:00 pm

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Pray For Our Military Family

Heidi Aguilar	Luis Freyre III	Dana Budd Mavy
Steven Alsop	Daniel Galvez	Nicholas McConnell
Ronald America	Larry Galvez	Mitch Medigovich
Jon Armstrong	Anthony Giordano	Russell Miller
Don R. Baker II	Tomas Gonzalez	Jared Mitchell
Joseph Benedetti	Serena Grandov	Dominic Peterson
Matthew Blair	T. J. Hart	Emmanuel Ramirez
Solomon Bolt	Graham Hebert	Jonathan Ramirez
Carl Ian Bravo	Kerr Hernandez	Arvie Jan Ramos
Ezonica Castellano	Matthew Huff	Michael Rossi
Stephen Cooney	Jeremiah Jones	Zachary Schiele
Benedict Coughlin	Val Keaveny Jr.	Jacob A. Starnes
Ivan Cruz	Freddie Koeller	Jordan Thompson
Mark Dollar	Chris Lindsley	Shawn Tostado
Bianca Douros	Dru Lopez	Martha Trujillo
Zachary Douros	Lenin Lopez	Brien Warfield
Benjamin Erwin	James Lovallo	Jaime Wong-Lopez
Meghan Erwin	Anthony G. Martin	Jordan Wood
		Jason Woodford

Today's Readings

First Reading - Job spoke, saying: I have been assigned months of misery, and troubled nights have been allotted to me (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Psalm - Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Psalm 147).

Second Reading - I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

Gospel - Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).

Readings For The Week

Mon: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56

Tue: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13

Wed: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23

Thur: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30

Fri: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37

Sat: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10

Sun: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32;
 1 Cor 10:31 — 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

Offertory for January 28 & 29, 2012

Weekly Amount Budgeted..... \$ 11,100

Actual Weekly Collection..... \$ 10,457

Short.....\$ (643)

Fiscal Year-to-Date

Budget \$363,000

Actual..... \$379,401

Overage.....\$ 16,401

From the Pastor's desk...

THE FOCUS OF FAITH

In this world and in our society, there is too much focus on living life: projects, plans and motives. We Christians find ourselves immersed in this huge and complicated labyrinth of emotions, fears, politics and philosophies where we see ourselves forced to accept certain structures of values to build up our lives, our homes and our families. We often say that we have faith when we have a plan, that everything will be OK. We see many projects in politics and society, people fighting, focusing on some ideal like benefits for health, immigration, finances, justice, equality, studies, human rights, life, etc. When they say they have faith in that project... is that Christian Faith? Christian Faith has a very concrete focus.

Christian Faith is not just confidence, it is confidence **in Jesus Christ**. Christian Faith is not only believing in Jesus, but keeping communion with Him. Many times we have our own projects and plans, and we label them as "good" and then we utilize our faith to ask Jesus to help us and even as much as to do a "miracle" and make everything OK. Perhaps most of the time these are "good" petitions, like asking for healing for a loved one, work, home, immigration status, or some other need. If we closely analyze these petitions, we'd find that for most of them the benefit is for this world, and that is NOT the intention of Jesus.

Jesus came to deliver us from the corruption of this world and to open wide the doors of his Heavenly Kingdom to us; and we see that focus perfectly in today's Gospel. The crowd was looking for Him again after a busy day of preaching and teaching with the healing power of his Word, but people were only interested in the physical healing; they were looking for Him only for the benefit of this world. So the disciples found Him and told Him: "Every body is looking for you." Today we see Jesus giving no answer to many petitions which are asked with faith, but only for a temporal benefit. Jesus says, "Let us go on to the nearby villages to preach my Kingdom. For this purpose I have come." The central focus of Christian Faith is not in this world, but in God's Kingdom.

... Fr. Rodolfo Llamas

Del Escritorio del Pastor...

EL ENFOQUE DE LA FE

En este mundo y en nuestra sociedad hay demasiados proyectos, planes, motivos y enfoques para la vivir la vida. Nosotros los cristianos nos encontramos metidos en todo este laberinto de emociones, miedos, políticas y filosofías, en donde nos vemos obligados a aceptar ciertas estructuras de valores para construir nuestras vidas, hogares y familias. Decimos que tenemos fe en que algún proyecto va a salir bien. Cuando vemos todos estos proyectos en la sociedad, de personas luchando con diferentes enfoques, como la salud, la inmigración, las finanzas, la justicia, la igualdad, los estudios, etc. Muchas veces escuchamos que las personas dicen que tienen "fe" en que todo va a salir bien. Ese tipo de fe ¿es una fe cristiana? La Fe Cristiana tiene un enfoque muy concreto.

La Fe Cristiana no es sólo simple confianza, es confianza **en Cristo**. Tener fe en Cristo no es sólo creer en Cristo sino mantener mi comunión con ÉL. Muchas veces tenemos nuestros propios proyectos, los etiqueto como "buenos" y luego "utilizo" mi fe para pedirle a Jesús que me ayude y hasta me haga el milagro de que todo me salga bien. Y muchas veces sí son peticiones buenas, como pedirle la salud de alguien querido, trabajo, casa, inmigración o cualquier otro problema. Si analizamos bien esas peticiones nos damos cuenta que la gran mayoría de ellos son para beneficio en este mundo, y esa NO es la intención de Jesús.

Jesús vino a liberarnos de la corrupción de este mundo para abrirnos las puertas de su Reino, y ese enfoque lo vemos perfectamente en el Evangelio de hoy. La gente lo buscaba otra vez, después de un día de haber predicado el Reino respaldado por el poder sanador de la Palabra, pero le traía más enfermos; lo buscaban para un beneficio de este mundo. Los discípulos lo fueron a buscar y le dijeron: "Todos te están buscando." Hoy vemos a Jesús dejando sin respuesta peticiones llenas de fe pero para beneficio temporal. "Vámonos a otros pueblos a predicar el Reino, que para eso he venido." El centro de enfoque de nuestra fe Cristiana no está en éste mundo sino en el Reino de Dios.

... Padre Rodolfo Llamas

Serving The Church

Catholic Faith Formation at SJ

CFF and Youth Ministry WISHLIST: We are in need of new or gently used items for our parish Faith Formation and Youth Ministries:

- 3 CD/Radio combo boom boxes, “readable/writable” for weekly CFF use.
- Small microwave (no higher than 18 inches) for the Youth Room.

Please call Nancy with any questions or to arrange a drop off or pick up time. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Lenten Outreach: CFF and Parish: We are looking for donations of cases of water to prepare for our Lenten Water project which will begin on **Ash Wednesday, February 22.**

Please bring any donations to the CFF office on **Tuesdays** or **Wednesdays** between **3pm** and **8pm** only. Thank you in advance.

Our question of the week centers around one of the spiritual works of mercy: comforting of the sorrowful. The Catholic Church is unique in that we teach the Corporal (body, physical) and Spiritual Works of Mercy. More information may be found at this link: <http://www.americancatholic.org/Newsletters/CU/preview.aspx?id=237>

Question of the Week... Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Adult When have you felt the sadness of Job? When have you felt the joy of those who witnessed the healing works of Jesus?

Child What could you do this week to comfort someone who is sad?

Please email your answers to nancy.kesthely@parishmail.com to be included in the bulletin.

Calendar Reminders

February 12: 7th grade parent & teen gathering: “Bible and the Sacraments” at **3:30pm**

February 14 / 15: Confirmation service projects due, SJ and SEAS families.

February 20-24: No CFF sessions, all levels.

February 22: Ash Wednesday. Services only at **Noon, 4:30pm** and **7pm** (Spanish).

St. Vincent De Paul Society



Please join us today after the **9am** and **10:45am** Masses in the Renwald Room for coffee and treats.

Then, please join us for our convalescent home visits. We will be at **Bruceville Terrace** at **1:20pm** and at **Elk Grove Convalescent** at **2:20pm**. It doesn't take much time out of your day to bring a little joy to others.

Our monthly meeting is this coming **Tuesday, February 7, at 7pm**, in the Renwald Room. Please join us. Thank you and God Bless you.

Online Giving

Check out **Online Giving** - a convenient and safe way to make your donation to the Church. Please visit our website at: www.stjoseph-elkgrove.net and click on **Welcome to Online Giving**. Thank you!

SEAS Thank You

On behalf of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School and the Knights of Columbus, we would like to give a big THANK YOU to all the parishioners of St. Joseph who attended our Annual Spaghetti Dinner last Saturday night. It was a wonderful night of family, food and fun, and it would not have been possible without the generous support of parishioners like you! Thank you so much for joining us and generously contributing to our fundraiser!

Vocation to Priesthood

The Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations invites community members to visit our seminarian website: www.considerpriesthood.com. Please visit the website to become familiar with the seminarians of the Diocese of Sacramento who are discerning a vocation to priesthood. If you would like to contact the Office of Priestly & Religious Vocations you may call (916) 733-0258 or email: callserve@diocese-sacramento.org.

Around The Church

World Day of the Sick

The Diocese of Sacramento celebrates World Day of the Sick with Bishop Jaime Soto presiding on **Saturday, February 11, at 10am** at The Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in Sacramento. The celebration will be held in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes. Please plan to join this special Mass will include: **Anointing of the Sick, Blessing of the Caregivers, and Blessing with Lourdes Water.** For those receiving the anointing, please arrive by **9:30am** for seating.

Retrouaille for Couples

One week to Signup for Retrouaille – Give your spouse a truly loving Valentine. Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery.

For more information or to register for the **February 2012** program, beginning **February 10-12**, please call (800) 283-5952 or email: sacramento@retroca.com or visit the web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.com.

Interfaith Sessions Continue

Sessions will be at a new time, **11am to 1pm**, on **Fridays**. The next class will be **February 17**: "Self-discovery in the Meeting of Another."- John 4:1ff For more information, please contact Pat Evans at 686-5977.

Vocations Open House

Everyone discerning a vocation is invited to an Open House hosted by St. Mel Parish, 4745 Pennsylvania Ave., (near Sunrise and Sunset) Fair Oaks on **Sunday, February 19**. Mass will be at **11:15am**, followed by refreshments and a program. Meet Fr. Francisco Hernandez, Diocesan Director of Vocations as well as representatives of various religious communities for men and women. For more information or to RSVP, please contact: Ana (916) 241-9315, Gloria (916) 966-2230 or Fr. Hurtado at poncemauro7@yahoo.com.

Knights of Columbus Scholarships

St. Joseph Knights of Columbus Council 7241, is making available four (4) **\$500** scholarships for academic year **2011-2012**. Scholarship Applications available soon. The **deadline** for receipt of the application is **5pm** on **April, 05, 2012**. Any questions regarding the scholarship may be directed to Nick Garcia via email at nicholasngarcia@gmail.com. More info. to come.

Altar Server Training

We are currently recruiting new altar servers. The requirements for altar serving are: at least 3rd grade, have received First Eucharist, are mature enough to follow directions and sit on the altar during mass. Training will be held on **Thursday, February 16, from 7-8:30pm** in the church. Please contact Stacy McCarley at smccarlev@surewest.net if you are interested. You will receive a packet to print and study prior to training.

Entrenamiento para Monaguillos

Se les invita a Niños y Niñas que ya hayan hecho su Primera Comunión a formar parte del equipo de Monaguillos. Deben tener suficiente madurez para seguir instrucciones y estar en el altar durante las Misas. Tendremos un entrenamiento general el **jueves, 16 de febrero, de 7-8:30 de la noche** en la iglesia. Si les interesa participar comuníquense con Aurora Fragozo-Aguirre al (916) 681-8456 o a mi correo electrónico ahaguirre@comcast.net. Les entregare o mandare un folleto para que lo estudien antes del entrenamiento.

World Marriage Day— Renewal of Vows

On **Saturday, February 25**, Bishop Jaime Soto will preside at a special **11am** Mass at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament in which married couples may renew their wedding vows. An informal reception for couples and their families will follow. Special certificates will be given to couples celebrating milestone anniversaries (10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 50+). If you are interested in attending this free event, please register (names and anniversary year) at www.SacWMD.com. For more information, please call the Dept. of Evangelization & Catechesis at (916) 733-0123.

Día Mundial del Matrimonio - Renovación de Votos

Habrà una bendición especial para las parejas casadas y la oportunidad para renovar sus votos matrimoniales. La misa será celebrada a las **11am** el **Sábado, 25 de Febrero** por el Obispo Jaime Soto en la Catedral del Santísimo Sacramento, ubicada en el 1017 11st. en Sacramento, CA. Después de misa habrá una recepción para las parejas y sus familias en el Salón Mercy ubicado dentro de la Catedral en donde se dará un certificado especial a las parejas que celebran un aniversario significativo (10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 50+). Este evento es gratis y toda pareja interesada en asistir debe llamar al Departamento de Evangelización y Catequesis al Tel. (916) 733-0123 para registrar sus nombres y años de casados o en línea en la página www.SacWMD.com.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHURCH

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Spanish Mass - 10:30am (3rd Sunday of the Month)
Weekday Mass - Wednesday, 8:30am
Liturgical Service - Friday, 8:30am
Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturday, 4pm

Catholic Faith Formation SVDP

The Communicants have started the last phase of their preparation for receiving First Communion. Congratulations to all Confirmandi 7th and 8th graders who served Mass last Sunday. Job well done. Note: Classes for Confirmandi have been rescheduled from **tonight** to **February 12 at 6pm**. Our 7th graders will have a Speaker. Parents this is a mandatory meeting for you. 8th graders, you have chapters to read and parents are also invited.

Mark Your Calendar

A Pot-Luck is scheduled for **Saturday, Feb. 18**, at St. Vincent De Paul Church after the **5pm** Mass in the Anderson Hall. We will celebrate in true "Mardi Gras Fashion." ***So Don't Miss Out on a Fun Evening.*** A sign-up sheet is available in the vestibule. Looking forward to seeing you there. Contact: 354-2403

Burning of the Palms

Begin this Lenten season by participating in the burning of the palms on **Sunday, February 19**, between the **9am** and **10:30am** Masses. These ashes will be used in the **Ash Wednesday Liturgy** on **February 22**. Bring your palms to be burned with you on **February 11 & 12** and drop them in the basket in the vestibule of the church.

Calling all 3rd–6th Graders

From **February 12** to **April 1** there will be a special breakout class for the older kids during Children's Liturgy. What will we be doing? It is up to you! During the first couple of session, we will decide as a group, a project we would like to create and complete for our church. See you on **February 12!** Any questions, contact Sharon Dodson 354-3884.

Adult Faith Enrichment

The Scripture series began last weekend. If you missed the first one, don't miss this wonderful chance to be better informed, therefore a better witness and follower of Christ.

All sessions are on **Sundays, at 10:30am**, in the Social Hall.

Series 1 – The New Testament: **Feb. 5.**

Series 2 – The Gospel of Mark: **Feb. 19, 26,** and **March 4.** Presented by Ray Guertin.

February 12: "Managing your time? Or is your time managing you?" Follow-up segment – "Getting a handle on your priorities." Presented by Judy Bernal.

Women's Weekend Retreat

It is time to take a deep breath? It is time to get things back in perspective? It is time to simply rest in the presence of the Lord? Then why not take the time to encounter the joy of the Lord at our annual parish women's retreat? We have a limited number of rooms reserved for the weekend of **March 9-11**. Relatives and friends are welcome to attend the weekend together. Please call Ginger Peacock at **591-1015** or Kathleen Black at the parish office **354-2403** to register or for more information. You can also visit the Christ the King Retreat Center on line.

Planning to Schedule an Event

You will need to fill out and **EVENT SET-UP FORM** for any activity that you are planning to hold at the church. This is necessary to prevent scheduling conflicts and to make sure you have everything needed to make your event successful. Please remember this is **mandatory** when scheduling any events in the Church facilities. The form may be obtained by calling Kathleen in the office at 354-2403.