

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 18, 2010**

It is [Christ] whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.
-- Colossians 1:28b



Week of July 19th - 24th

- Monday: 8:00 Special Intentions
- Tuesday: 8:00 Intentions: Mary Vukas
- Wednesday: 8:00 Ruth Gilmore+
- Thursday: 8:00 Intentions: Fr. Leo Edgerly
- Friday: 8:00 Special Intentions
- Saturday: 8:00 Scott MacPherson Stapleton+



Please remember the sick in our Parish, especially Juanita Estrellas, Bruce Barr, Janet Tremlett, Mary Bailey, Betty Edgar, Patty Charlton, Rebecca Bodle, Lucia Del Bagge & Frank Louie.

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| Weekly Collection | July 11, 2010 |
| Plate | \$7,770.50 |

*Remember your Church during the summer months.
Your gifts are greatly appreciated!*



The Parish Family of Corpus Christi has been increased and enriched through the recent baptisms of:

Baptisms *Lilia Auden Murphy*, daughter of Kathleen Murphy and Eric Paul.

Julianna Camille Weekes, daughter of Camille Logan and Arnold Weekes.

Congratulations to the proud parents from all of us!

Life Touch Portrait Pictures



If you had your picture taken for the Parish Directory and did not purchase a package, your complimentary 8" x 10" portrait is available at the Parish Office. We have many beautiful pictures that should be united with their proper families. If you have any questions, just give us a call!



My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

I've decided its time to take the gloves off. With the casualty lists of both military and the far larger ones of civilians continuing unabated, we need to take another look at the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, from the point of view of Christian morality. As believers in Christ and the gospel we have no power over political policies, but we owe it to our profession of the faith to be clear and unambiguous in our judgements of current events.

Even allowing for the indisputable right of self-defense, for nations as well as individuals, war of its nature is intrinsically evil. The wholesale and brutal taking of human life is a moral perversion of the first order. Of course, attempts to justify war never concentrate on the human element; policy makers never speak of corpses, mangled limbs and mental breakdowns. But the reality of war, as opposed to its rationalized or romanticized expression lies precisely in bloody slaughter.

Military leaders do not want to stop this slaughter; war is their life, their reason for existence. Politicians are afraid to move towards ending war because they are afraid of considered "soft" and thus losing votes. It will take the voices of ordinary citizens, demanding moves in directions other than military, to bring reason to bear on the situation. People of faith must demand in the name of God that politicians have the courage to admit that a policy which has caused untold human misery has failed.

Think about war; read carefully the news reports and the analyses that explain what is happening. Do not forget what is happening far away as we enjoy the peace and tranquility of our daily lives. The war is not far away; it is here, now. Think about it. And think of the words of Jesus, "Peace I leave you - my peace I give you."

Fr. Basil

Catholic University/Latin America Collection

This weekend, July 17th and 18th, there will be a special collection to benefit Catholic University and the Church in Latin America. Your gift helps fellow Catholics in Latin America and the Caribbean who are rich in spirit but lacking in material resources to participate more fully in the life of the Church. **Please make checks payable to Corpus Christi Church.** Thank you!





Raph's News

Book of Revelation: On the following Monday mornings, July 19th and 26th from 10:45 a.m. to Noon in the Rectory, we will be discussing the Book of Revelation. All are welcome.

"I Was in Prison and You Visited Me:" This summer, **Corpus Christi Parish and Just Faith** ministries will present Prison Reform: Church of the Second Chance, which has come to be known as "Restorative Justice." Meetings will be on the following Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Gibson Center: July 21st, August 11th and 18th. Register by calling Raph at 530-4343 or at: raphmartin@gmail.com; Meg Bowerman at 531-7139 or at: LMJTBOW@pacbell.net.

Documentary Films: The Adult Education ministry will present a series of documentaries on issues which may be of interest to us. The focus of each DVD relates to events that grab our attention each day on the morning or evening news, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Gibson Center:

July 28th - Ending U.S. Sponsored Torture Forever. This video examines the pros and cons of torture as a means of obtaining information from persons deemed to be enemies of the United States.



Ankie's News

Sunday School: Registration Forms are now available for Sunday School in the Parish Office. If you have any questions, please contact Ankie Edgar at ankieedgar@yahoo.com.

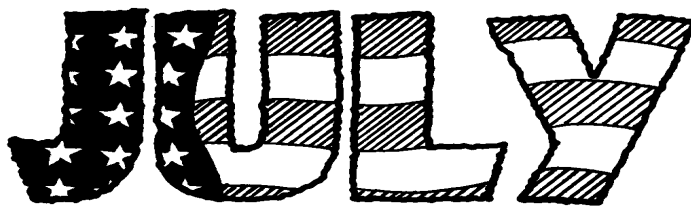
Eucharistic Holy Hour Scheduled

The last year has been designated by the Holy Father as a Year of the Priest. As the year draws to a close, the Bishop of this diocese has asked each parish to have a Eucharistic Holy Hour with a focus on prayer for vocations to the Priesthood. We will have that Holy Hour, with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, on Wednesday, August 4th from 7 to 8 p.m. I want to encourage all of you to come and take part. It will include three Scripture Readings, brief reflections by me and time for silent prayer. This will be followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. The year has been under the patronage of St. John Vianney, the Patron Saint of all priests, the Cure of Ars. Aspects of his spirituality will be part of this Holy Hour. I look forward to praying with you there.

Fr. Dan



Summer Hours: The Parish Office will be closed on Fridays during Summer through August. We will be open from 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays. **Have a great summer vacation!**



Around the Parish

Clothing Drive: The **Corpus Christi Men's Club** is sponsoring a clothing drive to benefit the St. Vincent de Paul Center in Oakland. The items that they need are men's suits and dress shirts, ties, any type of shoes and socks. Women's suits and dress shirts will also be accepted. Please bring only clean, unwrinkled items to the extent possible. Place your items in the designated container in the Gibson Center through July!

Food Drive: During July, the **Corpus Christi Outreach Committee** is conducting a food drive for the Alameda County Community Food Bank. Place your donations in the marked basket in the Gibson Center. Checks are also accepted, made payable to the Alameda County Community Food Bank and drop off at the Parish Office!

Public Transportation: *Who makes the decisions and what motivates them.* **Genesis** invites you to a "Power Analysis" for the Eco Bus Pass for youth campaign. Regional experts will help you understand what this campaign is all about. Sunday, July 25th, 2-4 p.m. at St. John Episcopal Church, 1701 Gouldin Road, Oakland. (AC Transit line #18) For more information contact Michele Jordan 465-3918, mjordan823@sbcglobal.net, or John Claassen 482-2075, or Gaby Miller 436-0265.



A Patriot's Picnic: On Saturday, July 31st at Roberts Park, history professor, Chuck Chaldberg, brings to life Patrick Henry. Catered lunch at 2 p.m., and "Mr. Henry" will arrive at 4 p.m. Advance purchase tickets are required, \$20 for adults and children under 12 are free. *Let freedom ring!* Hosted by the St. Anne's Guild of St. Margaret Mary. Contact Sara Cumbelich at st.anneguild@yahoo.com.

2010 Charismatic Summer Retreat

The "Walking in Faith through Today's Mine Field" will be held August 13-15th at San Damiano Retreat House, Highland Drive in Danville. Check in opens at 5 p.m. Friday August 13th. Retreat begins with dinner at 7 p.m. and ends after lunch on Sunday. Single occupancy (includes 6 meals) is \$186; Double occupancy is \$156 each person. Register early!

