

FIRST FRIDAY MASS—September 2, 2005

Masses will be celebrated at 7:30 A.M. and 12 noon. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be begin after 7:30 A.M. Mass.

The prayers which are recited in honor of the Sacred Heart will begin at 11:40 A.M., Benediction will follow and celebration of the Eucharist at noon.



ST. ANDREWS ABBEY CERAMICS

September 24 & 25, 2005: St. Andrew's Abbey is having its **48th ANNUAL VALYERMO FALL FESTIVAL**, a religious arts & crafts festival which is famous in Southern California. One of the special features of the Festival is the sale of the **Abbey Ceramics** (saints & angels) with the

designer Fr. Maur available to personally autograph his creations. There are more than 85 artists and crafts persons exhibiting their work as well as a large variety of restaurants and food concessions to suit every taste and budget. Live entertainment is continuous. There is a petting zoo for children, a game and ride area, and baby-sitting available. The Abbey offers 13 Masses on the days of Festival. **The Festival hours are 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.** Directions and further information are available at our website:

www.valyermofallfestival.com.

Abbey phone number: (661) 944-2178



Retreat for Widowed & Divorced Women

This weekend will include: The opportunity for spiritual direction and/or counseling from qualified Catholic Professionals, conferences and the time for private prayer and reflection. Holy Mass & Confession will be offered each day. The Retreat will take place **August 26th-28th** at Sacred Heart Retreat House at 920 E. Alhambra Road. (626) 289-1353 Ext. 200

DINNER & DANCE PARTY FOR CATHOLIC SINGLES SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Catholic Single Adults throughout Southern California are invited to a special "Rotational Dinner & Dance Party" at Holiday Inn-City Center- (1020 South Figueroa Street — Downtown Los Angeles) starting at 6:30 pm. The four-course dinner is designed to have diners rotate to different tables for each course, so people are meeting new singles every half-hour.

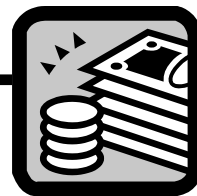
Dancing will follow the dinner party. Door prizes will be awarded throughout the evening. Reservations are necessary.

For more info, visit our website: www.csna.com or contact Diana at (888) 208-9555 ext 88 or email at dianah@catholicsinglesnetwork.com



Parish Financial Report

08/21/05 2nd Collection
\$4,938.51 \$962.97



Ministry Center Restoration

We are excited to report that we have a team working on the restoration of the walls in the Ministry Center. The project will be broken up into several phases.


It is through the *generous offertory giving* that makes it possible for us to accomplish the many needed projects in our parish. We are extremely grateful to you.

We will continue to report the status on the projects by phases. Thank you for continued support of the 2nd Collection.

God Bless you all!

Wall Restoration: Phase I:

\$10,000.00
\$ 1,763.65
\$ 8,236.35

 Donations by Ministries	Cumulative Totals
Amigos de Jesus Group (\$175.00 donated)	\$1,637.63
Guadalupano Group	\$1,000.00

Financial Report - Fiscal Year 2004 - 2005

INCOME	
Offeratory	\$294,751.85
Sacraments	\$ 41,558.71
Ministries	\$ 34,116.96
Restricted Funds: Building Fund etc.	\$ 63,023.38
Special Archdiocesan Collections & Rebates	\$ 12,771.57
Total Income for the year	\$446,222.47
EXPENSES	
Salaries, Benefits, Taxes	\$482,776.66
Operational	\$282,378.91
Total Expenses for the year	\$765,155.57
Income minus Expenses	-\$318,933.10
Income from Rental Properties	\$315,030.29

Avila
GARDENS



1171 Encanto Parkway - Duarte, CA 91010 - (626) 599-2214

Accepting applications for the following positions:
Head Cook & Relief Cook (experience necessary)
P.T. Housekeeping & Maintenance

The Lord Is in Love with You

The LILY Ministry invites returning Catholics to a new relationship with Christ. We are here for you and welcome you home.



Heat, Heat, Heat

During the hot summer weather, we all seek some sort of relief to make living more bearable. Some have additional problems of not being able to meet their food, medical and other bills. The Vincent de Paul Society will help bring relief to neighbors in need. We ask you to be our eyes and ears and to inform us of a family that needs assistance. Call (Rectory: 626-281-0466) and leave a message for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. There are other neighbors who also are appreciative of your kindness. They, too partake of the food you supplied by your contributions in the St. Vincent de Paul Poor Boxes. For this kindness, another warm glow as the words of Jesus are addressed to you "I was hungry and you fed me."

Your St. Vincent de Paul Society

Jesus, help me for a few moments today to be still and silent in mind, body and spirit, so that I might hear and take to heart the words faith tells me the heavenly Father whispers to me constantly. You are my beloved! Amen.

Pray for Our Brothers and Sisters

The following have been given a share in the Passion of our Lord Jesus. Please remember them and their families in your prayers so that, if it be God's will, they may be restored to health.

Anita Francis, Virginia Beal, Beatriz Dominguez, Martha & Bruno Micheletti, Nina Brown, Edna Trejo, Raymond Leno, Elvira Vargas, Philip Huyen Du Vu.

PICNIC Family Picnic & Concert

Sunday, August 28th from 4:30 p.m. 'til 9:00 p.m. Carne Asada Dinner-Hot Dogs. Rosie the Clown and Bounce for the Children. St. Joseph's Center 507 N. Granada, Alhambra CA (626) 289-0223. ALL ARE WELCOME!

School News



Scrip are certificates issued by participating merchants and are used just like cash to buy merchandise. A portion of the amount you spend on Scrip comes back to the school, usually between 4% to 13%. However, you get dollar for dollar on what you pay for Scrip.

Scrip Program

It has been an excellent fundraiser for the school for many years now. We have scrip for Home Depot, several restaurants, department stores, Shell & Chevron Gas. If we do not have an item in stock, we can special order practically anything.

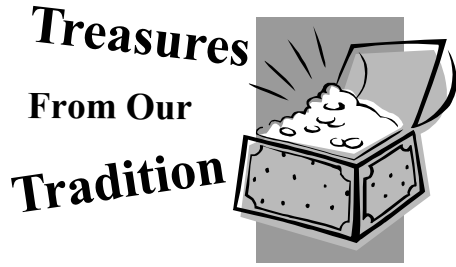
Sales every Sunday in the patio under the red sign from 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon.

Ralph's Community Partner Cards

Ralph's is offering a program to non profit Organizations. They will donate 6% of the profit they make with each purchase to an organization. All you have to do is register your Community Partner Card. If you do not have a card and would like one, we have them available for you at the Scrip table. There is no charge to participate. Simply come by the Scrip table and register your card. The school will receive a check on a quarterly basis. This is an easy and great way to help our school. Every bit counts. Thank you for your continued support!

The Harvest Festival is just around the corner. Please donate your empty eggshells as soon as possible. You can drop off your donation at the school office.





We know for certain that the sacrament of penance was a fairly rare event in the life of a Christian in the early centuries, but that everyone had a duty to admit their sins and ask forgiveness before giving thanks in the Sunday Eucharist and receiving Christ's body and blood at the table. Everyone today is familiar with this same ancient pattern. We also know about Lent and its journey of renewal, and even those who are returning from summer vacations may speak of a fresh perspective on life and a resolve to do better.

St. Augustine spoke of a third kind of penance, beyond the turning of the catechumens to a different life, beyond the normal everyday fresh starts, to a form that is severe and serious.

Certain sins broke faith with the community: the sinners were obliged to give their names to the bishop and were barred from participation in the Eucharist.

Augustine mentioned sacrilege, adultery, and murder as the culprits, great wounds for the perpetrator, wounds that were serious, deadly, mortal. Penance was such a frightening prospect that many people delayed their baptism for fear that they would sin, a practice with which Augustine was well acquainted. Pastoral need would call the church to reconsider its practice.

JOHN the Baptist

Profile

Cousin of Jesus Christ. Son of Zachary, a priest of the order of Abia whose job in the temple was to burn incense; and of Elizabeth, a descendent of Aaron. As Zachary was ministering in the Temple, an angel brought him news that Elizabeth would bear a child filled with the Holy Spirit from the moment of his birth. Zachary doubted and was struck dumb until John's birth.



Prophet. Began his ministry around age 27, wearing a leather belt and a tunic of camel hair, living off locusts and wild honey, and preaching a message of repentance to the people of Jerusalem. He converted many, and prepared the way for the coming of Jesus. Baptized Christ, after which he stepped away and told his disciples to follow Jesus.

Imprisoned by King Herod. He died a victim of the vengeance of a jealous woman; he was beheaded, and his head brought to her on a platter. Saint Jerome says Herodias kept the head for a long time after, occasionally stabbing the tongue with his dagger.

New Parishioners!

To our parish family!

We appeal to all adults living in the Parish area to be registered with the Church office. Registration allows us to verify active membership, especially for those who wish to baptize, be godparents, sponsors, or be married. Please complete the form below and place it in the collection basket. *We would like to hear from you and meet you!*

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____ APT# _____
 CITY _____ ZIP _____
 PHONE NO. (____) _____

MASSes for the WEEK

SATURDAY/SABADO, August 27, 2005

5:30 P. M. – † Ofelia Contreras

SUNDAY/DOMINGO, August 28, 2005

7:30 A. M. – Steven A. Perez (B-day Int.)

9:00 A. M. – † William Charles Moore

10:30 A. M. – Parishioners

12:00 P. M. – † Elias Mejia Hernandez

5:30 P. M. – † Thieu Ton

MONDAY/LUNES, August 29, 2005

7:30 A. M. – † Savina Tonarelli

TUESDAY/MARTES, August 30, 2005

7:30 A. M. – † Maria Rodriguez

WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES, August 31, 2005

7:30 A. M. – Genie Campell (Int.)

THURSDAY/JUEVES, September 01, 2005

7:30 A. M. – Maria Ruvalcaba (Int.)

FRIDAY/VIERNES, September 02, 2005

7:30 A. M. – † Andrew Tien

SATURDAY/SABADO, September 03, 2005

7:30 A. M. – Kym Marie Weisbrot (Int.)



DOING GOD'S WILL

The language of Jeremiah as he addresses his yearnings to God—he says, “You duped me, O LORD, and I let myself be duped” (Jeremiah 20:7)—indicates a close and personal relationship with God. It is one the prophet obviously cherishes

despite the derision and reproach it brings him. In the Gospel, Jesus indicates a similar bond with his Father. In spite of the difficult challenges presented by following God’s will, Jesus is not deterred. Giving up our own worldly cares and dreams, even as we accept pain and suffering, is more than a fair exchange for doing the will of God. The only way to do God’s will is offer our whole selves to God. As St. Paul writes in the letter to the Romans: “Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind” (Romans 12:2a).

HACER LA VOLUNTAD DE DIOS

El lenguaje de Jeremías al dirigir sus anhelos al Señor diciéndole: “Me has seducido, Señor, y me dejé seducir por ti” (Jeremías 20:7), indica una relación muy íntima. Es una que el profeta obviamente valora a pesar de los reproches y burlas que le trae. En el Evangelio, Jesús indica un lazo similar con su Padre. A pesar del difícil reto de seguir la voluntad de Dios, Jesús no se detiene. Dejar atrás los cuidados del mundo y los sueños, aunque sea para aceptar el dolor y el sufrimiento, es más que un intercambio justo para hacer la voluntad de Dios.

La única manera de hacer la voluntad de Dios es ofrecer todo nuestro ser a Dios. Como San Pablo escribe en la carta a los romanos: “No sigan la corriente del mundo en que vivimos, más bien transfórmense por la renovación de su mente” (Romanos 12:2a).

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Nuevos Parroquianos!

¡Para nuestra familia Parroquiana! Solicitamos a todo adulto que viva en el area cerca de la Parroquia que se registre. La registración es necesaria para verificar la afiliación del miembro, especialmente para aquellos que desean casarse, ser bautizados, ó ser padrinos. Porfavor llene esta forma, depositelo en la canasta de ofrendas los Domingos en Misa o en la oficina de la Iglesia. *¡Nos gustaria escuchar de ud. y conocerle en persona.*

NOMBRE Y APELLIDO _____

DIRECCIÓN _____ APT # _____

CIUDAD _____ CODIGO POSTAL _____

NO. DE TELEFONO (_____) _____