

October 15, 2006

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT**

Thank you for your continued support of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection.  
God Bless you all!



**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of October 2006 ◀10/08/06 ▶**

<i>1<sup>st</sup> Collection:</i>	\$5,728.22
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:</i>	<u>\$1,054.21</u>
<b>Total Collection:</b>	\$6,782.43

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of October 2005 ◀10/09/05 ▶**

<i>1<sup>st</sup> Collection:</i>	\$4,182.87
<i>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:</i>	<u>\$ 881.87</u>
<b>Total Collection:</b>	\$5,064.74

**OFFICE OF LITURGY**

- Director of Liturgy and Music:* Rev. Modesto Lewis Perez
- *Assistant Director:* Mr. Joseph Augustinski
  - *Spanish Music:* Mr. Armando Figueroa
- Funeral Rites & Services:* Sr. Eilene Berg.....Ext. 211
- Liturgical Coordinators:*
- *Ushers:* Mr. Micheal Brother
  - *Altar Servers:* Mrs. Donna Vera.....(626) 458-1319
  - *Lectors:* Mrs. Beatrice Rosario
    - *Spanish :* Mrs. Eleana Benalcazar.....(626) 281-0466
  - *Eucharist:*
    - *Spanish:* Humberto & Leticia Gutierrez
  - *Sacristan:* Mr. Librado Mercado
  - *Wedding:* Mrs. Eleana Benalcazar.....(626) 281-0466
  - *Quinceañera:* Ms. Aida González .....(626) 282-0260

**PASTORAL MINISTRIES**

- *Health Ministries:* Ms. Helen Hancock.....Ext. 227
- *Bereavement:* Ms. Helen Hancock
- *Ministerio de Duelo:* Ms. Aida González.....(626) 282-0260
- *Ministry to the Sick:* Mrs. Carol Robinson

**APOSTOLATES & ORGANIZATIONS**

- St. Vincent de Paul
- Italian Catholic Federation
- Legion of Mary
- Bereavement Ministry
- Guadalupanos
- Amigos de Jesús
- Encuentro Matrimonial
- Cursillo in Christianity

**The Parish Pastoral Center  
is now open:**



<p><b>Monday – Friday</b> 9:00 A.M. – 9:00 P.M.</p> <p><b>Saturday</b> 9:00 A.M. – 8:00 P.M.</p> <p><b>Sunday</b> 9:00 A.M. – 2:30 P.M.</p>
<p>29 South Electric Avenue Alhambra CA 91801</p>

Inquiries regarding the parish and its ministries  
can be made to (626) 281-0466

**Come and join the  
BINGO fun every  
Tuesday Night!**

Doors open at 5:30 pm, gourmet dinner is available  
along with a full snack bar.



**Early Bird starts at 6:30 pm**

**5 Games pay  
\$100.00 each**

**Regular Bingo starts after 7pm**

**15 Games pay  
\$250.00 each**

*Please encourage family and  
friends to come*

*& play bingo-it really is a fun filled night.*

We are always in need of assistance.

If anyone is interested in helping with bingo  
please call the Parish Center at (626) 281-0466  
or come on Tuesday Nights.

## Bereavement

All Souls Bereavement Support group will meet **Monday October 16, 2006 from 7:00pm - 8:30pm** in the Parish Pastoral Center.

Please call **(626) 281-0466 x227** if you wish to join this group. If you have lost a loved one and are in need of the prayers and support of others, **please join us.**

### HARVEST FESTIVAL RAFFLE WINNERS

- 1st place - \$2,500.00 - Enrique Cervantes  
**Ticket #18800**
- 2nd place - Television - Santos Tecum  
**Ticket #30397**
- 3rd place - Gas Card - Bea Sheridan  
**Ticket #32765**
- 4th place - Karioke Machine - Chily  
**Ticket #32991**



### FLU VACCINE

We are taking appointments for flu shots to be given on Friday, **November 3rd, from 8:30 - 11:00 AM.** Call the pastoral Parish Center (626) 281-0466 x.227 to leave your name and phone number.

Criteria this year for the flu vaccine are those people at high risk for complications from influenza:

- People **65 years of age and older**
- People 18 years and older who have **long-term**

**health problems** with:

- Heart disease
- Lung disease
- Asthma
- Anemia, and other blood disorders
- Kidney disease
- Metabolic disease, such as diabetes

\*\*\* Hypertension is not considered a high risk condition \*\*\*

• People 18 years and older with certain conditions (such as **neuromuscular disorders**) that can cause breathing problems.

• People 18 years and older with a **weakened immune system.**

## POLENTA DINNER

sponsored by  
**the Italian Catholic Federation**

Mark your calendars **NOW** for our ICF Polenta Dinner which will be held on **November 11th, 2006.**  
More information to follow!  
This new fund raiser helps to get projects such as the new chair racks completed.  
Thank you for your support!



### HELP WANTED !

Bilingual part-time volunteer needed for the Religious Education Office.  
Flexible hours to choose from 9:00 am- 9:00 pm  
Computer literate: Word, Excel, etc.

English/Spanish speaking. Please contact Irene Oaxaca or Silvia Martinez at the Parish Pastoral Center at (626) 281-0466

### A GREAT DAY IS COMING!

Next Sunday, **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**, our Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, calls every Catholic to celebrate, at the Eucharist, our vocation to be missionary and to help the Missions. As Catholic around the world—here at home and in the Missions—gather at the Eucharist around the table of the Lord, let us ...

- ▶ **PRAY** for the Church's worldwide mission
- ▶ **OFFER FINANCIAL HELP** through the **PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH** for more than 1,150 dioceses in Asia, Latin America and the Pacific Islands.

### HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE:

**Romona Convent Secondary School**  
1701 W. Ramona Road, Alhambra, CA 91803-3080  
**Sunday, November 5, 2006** (Noon - 3 p.m.)  
For more information, please call (626) 282-4151

**St. Lucy's Priory High School**  
655 W. Sierra Madre Ave., Glendora, CA 91741-1997  
**Sunday, November 19, 2006**  
General info sessions are at 12:30 pm & 1:30 pm in the Gym  
For more information, please call (626) 335-3322

## Eucharistic Adoration

The Chapel is now open 24 hours - 7 days a week with your commitments!



Hours still available due to job changes, illness & moving.

SUNDAY: 2 A.M.  
WEDNESDAY: 1 A.M.  
THURSDAY: 2 A.M.  
FRIDAY: 1 A.M.  
SATURDAY: 3 A.M.

Please call Pastoral Center at  
(626) 281-0466 to volunteer.

Thank you for your commitment to OUR LORD!

*"Everyone has blessings. The foolish person squanders them, the practical person counts them, and the good person shares them." — Anonymous*

### THE RIGHT TO LIFE LEAGUE

#### America's 1st Pro-Life Organization

Life is a "Celebration!" Mark your calendars for The Right to Life League of Southern California's **Annual GALA on Thursday, November 9** featuring a keynote address by popular radio talk show host, Hugh Hewitt

**Date:** Thursday, November 9, 2006

**Time:** 6:30pm - 9:30pm (Dinner at 7:30pm)

**Location:** Almansor Court (Alhambra)

**Cost:** \$60 (Adult) / \$30 (Students)

For more information, please contact:

Kathleen Lund at (626) 403-2944 or

Connie at the Right to Life League: (626) 398-6100

### Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Inc.

Catholic Charities will be honoring the Diocesan and Religious Order priests of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles in the persons of Monsignor William J. Barry and Monsignor John V. Sheridan at the annual City of Angels Christmas Gala on **December 1, 2006** at the California Club. Proceeds will benefit the poor and homeless of the Archdiocese. If you would like to attend or purchase an ad for a priest, living or deceased, in the Tribute Book, please contact Alexandria (Sandi) Arnold at (213) 251-3495 or by e-mail at [sarnold@ccharities.org](mailto:sarnold@ccharities.org)

## Beginning Apologetics

### *How to Explain and Defend The Catholic Faith*

By: Father Frank Chacon & Jim Burnham

#### QUESTIONS ASKED ABOUT MARY

**4. If Mary never sinned, she doesn't need a savior. So why does Mary say in Luke 1:47: "my spirit rejoices in God MY SAVIOR."**

Mary was saved by the merits of Christ, just as we are. The difference between Mary and other Christians is that her salvation from sin was more perfect. While we are *freed* from original sin at our baptism, Mary was *preserved* from original sin at her conception. But Jesus is the Savior in both cases.

**5. Why do Catholics believe that Mary was a Perpetual Virgin? Matt. 13:55-56 says that Jesus had brothers and sisters.**

Catholics are not alone in this belief. Protestant Reformers Martin Luther, John Calvin, and Ulrich Zwingli also defended the perpetual virginity of Mary. The Hebrew and Aramaic languages spoken by Christ and His disciples do not have separate words for "brother," "cousin," or "near-relative."

For example, in the original Hebrew, Lot is called Abraham's "brother" (Gen 14:14). Yet we know that Lot was Abraham's **nephew** (Gen 11:27). The Jews used the word "brother" for any near relative, without necessarily meaning "blood-brothers."

**6. Why do Catholics believe that Mary was assumed body and soul into Heaven?**

Scripture does not record the Assumption of Mary, so we depend on Apostolic Tradition for our belief. However, the Assumption is not anti-scriptural. In fact, Scripture gives every indication that such a thing could occur. Consider the unusual ends of certain righteous people: Enoch, was taken to heaven without dying (Heb 11:5); and Elijah was whisked into heaven by fiery chariot (2 King 2:11). Matthew 27:52 suggests a bodily assumption before the Second Coming, and most Protestants believe in the "rapture" based on the events described in 1 Thess 4:17 and 1 Cor 15:52. Mary is simply the first to be "raptured."

*(To be continued...)*



As we pray weekly for the safety and well being of our military and non-military personnel protecting our Nation in foreign lands, we ask that you bring pictures of your loved ones to be shared among our community and displayed on a special board in the vestibule of the church.



## Masses for the Week

**SATURDAY/SABADO, October 14, 2006**

5:30 P. M. — † Thieu Ton

**SUNDAY/DOMINGO, October 15, 2006**

7:30 A. M. — Editha Gutierrez (Thanks)

† Maria Ban Nguyen

9:00 A. M. — † Oscar Vidana

10:30 A. M. — † Luz Mendoza

12:00 P. M. — Parishioners

5:30 P. M. — Michelle, Alyssa & Family (Int.)

**MONDAY/LUNES, October 16, 2006**

7:30 A. M. — † Alfredo T. Garcia

**TUESDAY/MARTES, October 17, 2006**

7:30 A. M. — † Maria Ban Nguyen

**WEDNESDAY/MIERCOLES, October 18, 2006**

7:30 A. M. — † Mary Meng Chi Lee

**THURSDAY/JUEVES, October 19, 2006**

7:30 A. M. — † Benjamin Pascua

**FRIDAY/VIERNES, October 20, 2006**

7:30 A. M. — † Josephine Pepitone

**SATURDAY/SABADO, October 21, 2006**

7:30 A. M. — † Rosa Martinez



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31 — 5:1; Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6; Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b; Lk 10:1-9

Thursday: Eph 1:1-10; Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Eph 1:11-14; Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Eph 1:15-23; Lk 12:8-12

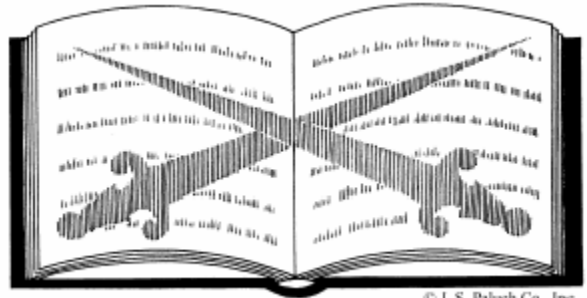
Sunday: Is 53:10-11; Ps 33; Heb 4:14-16;

Mk 10:35-45 [42-45]

## DISCIPLESHIP AND WEALTH

Sometimes we get the idea that having material wealth is a bad thing. We may convince ourselves that it is the poor who are favored. In today's readings, we discover that material wealth alone does not keep us from discipleship. We will see that there are other gifts more important than material wealth, but even so, it is how we use our gifts that matters most.

Today's scriptures point to the value of the gifts of wisdom, trusting in God, and letting our actions reflect the love of God from within. It is not gold that causes us to fall, but rather the desire for gold above all other things. From the readings in Wisdom and Hebrews, we find the source of God's gifts in our lives. Wisdom is more valuable than worldly possessions. In Hebrews, we are challenged to look at our own values and admit honestly what controls our lives.



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## LOS DISCÍPULOS Y LA RIQUEZA

A veces nos creemos que tener riquezas materiales es algo malo. Nos convencemos a nosotros mismos que los pobres son los más favorecidos. En las lecturas de hoy, descubrimos que las riquezas materiales no son lo único que nos impide ser discípulos. Ya veremos que hay otros dones más importantes que esas riquezas. Pero así todo, lo que más importa es el uso que hacemos de nuestros dones.

Las Escrituras de hoy señalan el valor de los dones de la sabiduría, la confianza en Dios y una cualidad que permite que nuestras acciones reflejen el amor de Dios que llevamos en nuestro interior. No es el oro lo que nos hace tropezar, sino el desear el oro por encima de todo lo demás. En las lecturas de la Sabiduría y Hebreos, descubrimos la fuente de los dones de Dios en nuestra vida. La sabiduría vale mucho más que las posesiones materiales. En Hebreos, somos motivados a examinar nuestros valores y a reconocer con honestidad qué es lo que dirige nuestra vida.

## 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. (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_