



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 5, 2009

My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.

— 2 Corinthians 12:9



When we read the gospel this weekend we may be tempted to wonder at the blindness of the people of Jesus' own town. We may even condemn them for not recognizing the presence of God in their midst. The Truth was staring them in the face but it was too familiar for them to recognize. As Jesus was a carpenter he would have been well known in the community. In all likelihood he had worked and done various carpentry jobs for a number of people in the town. He was one of them. They were not aware of any greatness in themselves so how could they see greatness to Jesus? They knew him too well to be able to recognize God in their midst. Where did all his goodness and wisdom come from?

Is God to be found in the exotic, in far off places, in some obscure language or ritual? We easily forget the obvious, that God moves in mysterious ways, and is most lightly present in our nearest and dearest, and in our neighbor. God is in the ordinary bits and pieces of everyday life. He doesn't take a day off or move to another location. He is not apart from the world nor controlled by people or ritual. He is so present in and to his creation that we too can miss the obvious. "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us"

We can become like the people of Jesus' own town. We can become blinded by envy and prejudice, fail to see the goodness in others. We believe we know them too well for God to be in that person. At times the familiar can blind us to the extraordinary. Christ is among us but are we really any different from the people of Jesus' native place?

SUPPORT FOR SENIORS

Is there a senior in your life whose safety and care need monitoring? Licensed therapists, social workers, registered nurses and gerontologists work together to help elders stay at home by providing a range of care solutions, counseling and home care services. Sliding scale fees. Call 650-592-9325 for more information. -Catholic Charities

A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR MARRIED COUPLES!

Attend a **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** but still be home at night. Space is limited for this special non-residential weekend. If you want to rediscover the glow you had as newlyweds, call Paul & Yvonne at 650-366-7093 to reserve your place right away! 2009 SF-WWME Weekends: July 17-19, Pacifica (non-residential); November 6-8, San Mateo (residential). Website: sf.lovemoredeeply.org

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK AT ST. DUNSTAN PARISH....

Sunday, July 5	Interfaith Hospitality Network Program begins today
Tuesday, July 7	Novena in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament after the 8 am Mass
Thursday, July 9	Bible Study at 10 am in the Convent Prayer group meets at Mary mount Green Hills at 7:30 pm
Saturday, July 11	Retrouvaille meets in the convent
Monday thru Saturday	Morning Prayer in the church at 7:15 am
Monday thru Friday	Rosary recited in the church at 7:40 am

July 11, 9am—3 pm: Rummage Sale benefiting the work of San Mateo Pro Life at Alameda de las Pulgas and Ralston Avenue in Belmont. To donate or volunteer call Vicky at 650-365-5718 or Jessica at 650-572-1468.

July 11, 7:30 pm: "A Midsummer Interlude" at Mater Dolorosa Church in So San Francisco. Cellist, Wilfredo C. Pasamba and the Mater Dolorosa Hallelujah Chorale are the evening's featured performers. Pasamba is a graduate of Julliard and also studied at Moscow State University. He has performed at venues including Lincoln Center's Alice Tully Hall and plays with the Des Moines and Omaha Symphony Orchestras. The choir under the direction of Angelita C. Pasamba is the "core of the music ministry" at Mater Dolorosa Parish. The evening's program includes selections from the classics as well as modern and Philippine repertoire. Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Call 650-583-4131 or email MDCConcert09@yahoo.com.

ST. DUNSTAN GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP – NOW IN ITS 6th SUCCESSFUL YEAR

If you or someone you know is struggling with the loss of a loved one, please join the St. Dunstan Grief Support Group for ongoing sessions to help process your grief and loss issues. For more information please call Barbara Cappel, L.C.S.W. at 692-7543 or Carol Hensley at 692-1488.

Parishioners, as a courtesy to others, please silence your cell phones during all Masses. Your cooperation is appreciated.



OPPOSE ABORTION FUNDING IN CALIFORNIA BUDGET.
(Ask for significant cuts in the public funding of abortion)

California public officials are struggling with the budget deficit crisis and a multitude of difficult decisions about how our State collects and spends public money for the common good. Currently on the table are cuts that impact all aspects of government-funded services.

Medi-Cal pays for 39 percent of all abortions in California. Planned Parenthood organizations receive one-third of their funding from government grants and contracts.

Proponents of the state funding of “reproductive health services”, led by Planned Parenthood, have been seeking to minimize proposed cuts for their “services” and to maintain their favorable contractual arrangements through Medi-Cal, Healthy Families and Family Pact.

Our Church teaches that “human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception.” (Catechism of the Catholic Church.no.2270)

Please let your representatives know of your opposition to the public funding of abortion.

In the budget negotiations, the California Catholic Conference has consistently advocated for those who are poor and vulnerable – including pre-born children. Join us in this effort:

-Recognizing that reductions in spending are necessary and inevitable- we are asking that there be no exemptions from those cuts to Planned Parenthood

-Drawing attention to the description of a qualified recipient of Family Pact funds-we are asking for legislators to be vigilant in reviewing “Budget Trailer” bill language so that Planned Parenthood does not gain a clear advantage in accessing these funds.

Reviewing Medi-Cal funded abortions- we are asking for common sense reductions which could be accomplished by:

- requiring that women receive comprehensive information prior to the procedure
- eliminating payment for multiple abortions in one calendar year and
- eliminating payment for coerced abortions.

Many moral considerations underlie the budget decisions being made by the California Legislature, including the use of public funds to kill our pre-born children.

Please take Action and let your representative know of your opposition to the public funding of abortion.

Are you interested in learning more about the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church? Are you baptized but never received First Communion? Never were Confirmed? If you answered yes to any of the above questions, our RCIA process can be of help to you. RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation Adults. It is a process designed to meet the needs of adults who are considering joining the Church or who wish to receive the sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist, Confirmation). For more information regarding our Inquiry Sessions, call the rectory at 697-4730. **Classes begin in September at the rectory.**



Last weekend's
Regular Collection:
\$9,103.00

Last weekend's Peter's Pence Collection: \$2,729.50

Thank you for all your support!

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Monday: St. Maria Goretti
 Thursday: St. Augustine Zhao Rong and his companions
 Saturday: St. Benedict

Need a copy of the Sunday bulletin or of a particular schedule, church and parish information? Please visit the St. Dunstan Parish website at www.saintdunstanchurch.org.

Many thanks to those who served as Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Altar Servers this weekend:

Sat. July 4

5:00 PM Lector: J Ryan
Eucharistic Ministers: J & L Clothakis, C Orfino, F Axiaq, E Danli, N Holober
Altar Servers: Panopio, Reyes, Salinda, Valdez

Sun. July 5

7:00 AM Lector: P Livingston
Eucharistic Ministers: M Hutchings, B Rogers, R Flahavan
Altar Servers: Pidlaoan, Ronquillo, Sheker, Sheker
8:30 AM Lector: E. Linak
Eucharistic Ministers: M Ocafrain, J Lilles, D Magsaysay, M Anderegg, S Jajeh, P Lucero
Altar Servers: Pramono, Rossi, Wilkom, Jajeh
10:00 AM Lector: P Maloney
Eucharistic Ministers R&C Fry, J&F Sigona, A&D Vogl, G Maldonado
Altar Servers: Peralta, Peralta, Totah, Totah
11:30 AM Lector: J Roensch
Eucharistic Ministers: M Rogers, R Barrera, T Restrivera, B Santos, T Dizon, C Caimotto
Altar Servers: Pucci, Salem, Barrera, Restrivera
5:00 PM Lector: P. McLaughlin
Eucharistic Ministers: M McLaughlin, J&G Ledbetter, B Cappel, H Santana
Altar Servers: Puzon, Salameh, Uchi-Tabaloc, Solano

Special thanks to all of our ushers for their dedicated service at our weekend Masses.

Mass Intentions for the Week*July 5 - July 11, 2009*

<u>Sunday</u>	7:00 am	For Parish
<u>Monday</u>	6:30 am	Christopher Beloy (living)
	8:00 am	Antonia Caputo
	5:10 pm	Joseph & Albina Caimotto
<u>Tuesday</u>	6:30 am	Erlinda Trinidad
	8:00 am	Paul Priolo
	5:10 pm	Mercedes Ramirez
<u>Wednesday</u>	6:30 am	Enrique Ortega
	8:00 am	Mass for the Holy Spirit
	5:10 pm	Sam Callejo
<u>Thursday</u>	6:30 am	Juliana Lariosa (living)
	8:00 am	Paul & Yeta Mendoza (living)
	5:10pm	Muriel Gildea
<u>Friday</u>	6:30 am	Hilarion Tan
	8:00 am	Deborah Magsaysay (living)
	5:10 pm	Antonio Agoncillo
<u>Saturday</u>	8:00 am	Ayde & Dan Vogl (living)
	5:00 pm	The John & Lena Mezzetta Family

We pray for the sick members of our parish family and for those who care for them: Madison Kitz, Lisa Kitz, William Dill, Ted & Eileen Damian, Pat Saracini, Bill Barca, Helen & Vicky Noceti, Irene Thommen, Kyong Cruz, Ciera Whipple, Dorothy Rives, Elsie Noceti, Steve Bacho, Mary Farr, Barbara Modica, Karen Shirley, Jose Conrado Vasquez, Lucy Garcia, Frances Snyder, Jack & Rene Sagrafena, Mrs. Larry Duggins, Antoinette Ramos, Joe Hamilton, Pauline & Joseph Burgio, Noralee Gelhaar, Geraldine Feehan, Martin Hidalgo, Norman Roos, Lyle Dibbs, Gloria Giannini, Maxine Coutts, Anna Mae Stewart, Jonathan Cerezo, Nick Cannuli, Kathy Montiel, The Yakaitis Family, Susan Silvera-Dunn, George Rodriguez Jr, Nafal Jweinat, Michael Coffaro, Diedra Bradshaw, Irma Sweeny, Charlene Spediacci, Esther Litton, Jan Diamond, Viola Burdick, Ronald Reyes, Josephine Muscat, Patricia O'Neill, Virginia Ryan Rogers, Michael Wisherop, Helen Maternia, Elsie Clark, Bernice Malloy, Wayne Devora, Beverly Buhs, Rita Gilmore, Marisa Hosea, Judy Marks, Rita Bartolo, Gerda Altherr, Stephen Petinak, Richard Castro, Donald Clancy, Dan Bray, Rene Tiamson, Dondon Pasco, Dotty Mandiloff, Robert Weldon, Joseph Conrad Rodriguez, Raymond Reudy, Mona Pasco, Rick Trecartin, Mike Casella, Fr Bruce Dreier, John Costa, Gene, Rita & Roberta Berry, Sr. Theresa Antoinette, Rachel Sanchez, Sue Furrer, Emily Marshall, Mrs Nancy Starrh, Kathy Perl, Susan Negueloua, Kevin Maloney, Domenica Rossi, Alma Cozzolino, Areceli Perez, Erika Kiel, Christopher Beloy, Harry Aubright, Joseph Caruana & Michael Murray **We pray for the deceased members of our parish family:** John Gleason