

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 43:18-19 2 Corinthians 1:18-22

February 22, 2009

Mark 2:1-12

“Get up, pick up your mat and walk”

This miracle was made entirely to the faith of some men who cared for a sick man. Their faith gave them determination to get the job done, they knew that Jesus could heal their friend and took many risks. Before Jesus could heal the man physically he had to clean his soul, “Son, your sins are forgiven, get up, pick up your mat and walk” Jesus made his forgiveness available to everyone. Take courage, approach him and confess your sins through a priest appointed by His church.

Our Weekly Offering:

Thank You

Regular \$ 795.25

Maintenance \$50.00

Remember Mass donations are \$10.00 for each Mass said.

Mass Schedule and Intentions for the week:

Saturday	Feb. 21 st	5:00pm	John Villalovos
Sunday	Feb. 22 nd	9:30am	Mass for the Parish Living and Deceased
Monday	Feb. 23 rd	8:30am	Robert Slaven
Tuesday	Feb. 24 th	8:30am	Dorothy Sheehy
Wednesday	Feb. 25 th	8:30am	Ash Wednesday
Wednesday	Feb. 25 th	5:00pm	Ash Wednesday
Thursday	Feb. 26 th	8:30am	Anna Mae Giannotti
Friday	Feb. 27 th	8:30am	Jo Villalovos

PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Adelle Mini, John Villalovos, Paula Bethard, George Hawkins, Jr. , Anna Mae Giannotti, Alexa Rolin, Robert Slaven, Ron Dennis, Mike Angelis, John Cozort, Phoebe Deitchler, Mary Gray, Larry Leach, Gerrie Kirouac, Paul Burnett and Dorothy Sheehy.

(Call 258-22101 to take names off list). If you would like a visit or anointing (either at home, hospital or before an operation) Call father at 256-3344.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS & Lector

Saturday	5:00pm	Patty Parker	Pat Didier
		Mary Hasselwander	
Sunday	9:30am	Mary & Marty Munoz	Gerrie
		Linda Porter	Kirouac

Welcome!! Our warmest welcome to all who celebrate with us, whether longtime residents or newly arrived in the Parish. We thank God for you. If you are not yet registered in the Parish, please fill out this form and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory. We have offertory envelopes if wanted. Thank you & God Bless.

Name-----

Address-----

City-----**Zip**-----**Phone #**-----

Current Mass and Confession Times:

Westwood Saturday Vigil Mass at 5:00pm
Westwood Saturday Confessions 3:30 – 4:30pm
Weekday Mass in Westwood 8:30am
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Fridays. In the Rectory.
Sunday Mass in Chester at 9:30am
Confessions in Chester 1st Sunday of each month after Mass

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**Lenten Schedule: Feb.25<sup>th</sup> Mass with ashes in Westwood at 8:30am and Mass with ashes in Chester at 5:00pm. Stations of the Cross will start Friday Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>. Our Lady of the Snows Stations of the Cross at 3:00pm. Christ the King Stations of the Cross at 5:00pm. Please make an effort to attend the stations each Friday of Lent.**

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Rice Bowl: This is a Lenten program that invites people to place the cardboard container in their homes, and put in the money that is saved by their fasting. At the end of Lent we will collect the Rice Bowls and the money is used for the development projects in poor nations and hunger relief in the local diocese.

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**2009 Annual Catholic Appeal This weekend -----**

The Annual Catholic appeal this weekend, February 21&22 will be taken up in the second collection at Our Lady of the Snows and Christ the King Masses. Your gift makes a difference in some ones life. Together we can greatly improve the lives of our brothers and sisters in need, support our seminarians, provide for new parishes and support your local parish in extending love and hope to the poor. Please be generous with you support. Envelopes are in back of each church for your convenience if needed.

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Next Sunday the Seniors of Chester High School are having an All You Can Eat Breakfast at the Chester Elementary Cafeteria, 7-1:30pm. There will also be 50/50 Raffle. Our Chester Seniors will be selling tickets after Mass.

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If you have a couple of spare hours to spend Our Lady of the Snows could use someone to clean the church. You can call Nancy 256-3694 or talk to her at the Saturday night Mass for information. Your help would be appreciated.

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Faith Formation Classes will resume this Sunday after Mass at the Wilkinson's house. In Westwood the Faith Formation Class will be on Monday at the church.

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Christ the King Altar Society will be meeting on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Knotbumper at 11am. This will be our first meeting of 2009. All ladies are welcome so please come.

## 2009 LENTEN REGULATIONS AND ADMONITIONS:

The Church calls Catholics to a spirit of penance, above all to practice the “Acts of Religion”: fasting, prayer and almsgiving, “which express conversion in relation to oneself, to God, and to others.

1. **Fast and Abstinence (self-denial).** To foster the spirit of penance of reparation for sin, to encourage self-denial, and to guide us in the footsteps of Jesus.

1. **Abstinence:** All persons who have already celebrated their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday are bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays of Lent.
2. **Fasting:** Everyone, from the celebration of their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday to their 59 birthday, is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Fasting is generally understood to mean eating one full meal each day. Two other partial meals, to maintain strength.
11. **Prayer.** Catholics are urged to read and pray over sacred Scripture, pray the rosary, private visits to the Blessed Sacrament, pray for vocations to religious life.
1. **Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation:** During the Lenten and Easter time, Catholics are reminded that they are obliged to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance at least once a year.
2. **Lenten Mass Schedule:** The faithful are urged to attend Mass on weekdays as often as possible.
3. **Station of the cross:** Stations are celebrated in each parish on Fridays during the Lenten season. Parishioners are urged to attend.
4. **Pilgrimage to churches:** During Lent six churches have been designated for observance of the “Year of Paul” for prayer, reflection, attend Mass and receive the Plenary Indulgence. Parishes are: Sacred Heart Parish: Red Bluff, Holy Family Parish: Portola, in our area.
5. **Day of penance and prayer, Wednesday, March 11<sup>th</sup>:** A day of penance for negative attitude and discrimination toward people of differing cultures, ethnicity and race; pray for unity in our diversity for equality, respect and peace among all peoples.
6. **Wedding Masses** may not be celebrated during the Easter Triduum, on Sundays of Lent, Ash Wednesday, or during Holy Week. Marriages may take place at other times during Lent.
7. **Funeral Masses** may not be celebrated on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, nor on the Sundays of Lent. If a funeral is celebrated on these days, a Liturgy of the Word, with the final commendation and farewell rite, is held.
8. **Mass may not be offered on Holy Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>,** except the Easter vigil, which may be celebrated only after nightfall, in darkness. **This year the Easter Vigil Mass should not begin before 8p.m.**
9. **Easter Duty:** All Catholics who have been initiated into the Holy Eucharist are bound to receive Holy Communion worthily at least once during the Easter season: Easter Sunday, April 12, through Pentecost, May 31. (In the United States, the Easter Duty may be fulfilled up through Trinity Sunday, June 7.)
111. **Almsgiving.** The act of giving to the poor, in the most ancient tradition of the church, is an expression of penance, a form of piety, a witness of fraternal charity and and a expression of Lenten conversion.