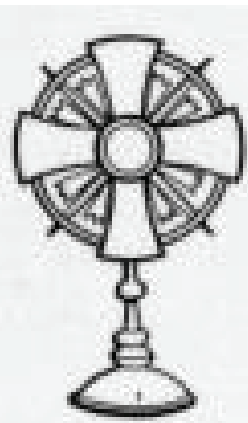


ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is taking place every weekday in the Blessed Sacrament chapel from 12:45 pm to 4:45 pm. Over 30 volunteers have signed up to ensure that at least one person is present at all times while the host is exposed in the monstrance. Volunteers, including the priests and deacons of the parish, have committed to one hour per week.

There are some gaps in the program however. More volunteers are needed for Wednesdays and Thursdays. If you are able to commit an



hour on either of those days, please call **Luz Stumbo at (916) 447-5891**. The slots most in need of volunteers on those days are: 1:45 pm to 2:45 pm and 2:45 pm to 3:45 pm. We encourage you to give an hour a week to silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. It could change your life. And please pass around the word that the Blessed Sacrament chapel is open to everyone; sometimes visitors sit in the main part of the church because they do not know the small chapel is open or accessible.

EXPLORE AFRICA THIS SUMMER

Explore Africa with the Sacramento Africa Initiative Group. Visit Nigeria and Ghana for 15 days from July 23-August 6, 2006. Observe first hand the opportunities and issues facing Africa today. The cost is \$3,300 (double occupancy). For more information, contact **Charlene Harris at (916) 733-0160** or **Phyllis Johnson at (916) 729-8110**.

CATHEDRAL BOOK AT GIFT SHOP

A new expanded edition of our coffee book "The Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament" has just come off the press. It is available in the gift shop in the Lower Level of the Cathedral for \$20 on Sundays. This second edition has an extra chapter detailing the re-opening of the Cathedral on November 20, 2005, plus 18 colored photographs of the opening Mass and dedication. Also included in the book are chapters on the history of the Cathedral, the 2005 restoration of the building, and the stained glass windows.



PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Msgr. Murphy and the Cathedral Vocations Committee are asking for your support to pray for an increase in vocations from the Cathedral Parish. We are signing up parishioners after each Mass to participate in the daily Rosary for increases in priests, sisters, brothers, and deacons. We are asking for a personal commitment to pray the Rosary daily for this intention. To those who sign up, we will provide a beautiful picture of Our Lady of Guadalupe with instructions on how to pray the Rosary, and we will provide Rosaries as needed. This is a wonderful 20-minute daily family activity that will surely enrich you and your loved ones with God's blessings.

LAY FORMATION INSTITUTE

The Diocesan Lay Formation Institute Program for 2006 still has many workshops through September. All workshops are held at the Diocesan Pastoral Center at 2110 Broadway. Below are just a few of the upcoming workshops.

May 20, 2006

Workshop #7 – Grace, Sin, and Redemption

This workshop explores the Church's efforts to maintain a centrist position in the historical controversies over the theology of grace, sin, and salvation in the time of the Church Fathers, the medieval period, and contemporary eras. **Sr. Beverly Dunn, S.P., J.C.D.** is the facilitator.

May 27, 2006

Workshop #8 – Church History

This workshop examines the themes and patterns of Church life as they have evolved over the past 2000 years. Participants will be invited to see how the timeless patterns of Church experience speak to contemporary life. Special attention will be given to the changing patterns of Church ministry, faith expressions, and relationships with society. **Sr. Katherine Doyle, R.S.M.** is the facilitator.

June 24, 2006

Workshop #9 – Contemporary Moral Issues

Some current ethical controversies will be examined such as capital punishment, abortion, euthanasia, stem-cell research, physician-assisted suicide, poverty, and war in light of Church teaching. **Reverend Peter Bosque** will facilitate this workshop.

*All sessions begin at 9:30 am and end at 3:30 pm.
Bring a bag lunch. Cost \$20.*

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY

This weekend, April 29/30, there will be a Diocesan Second Collection for Catholic Home Missions. Because of the shortage of priests, sisters, and brothers, there are many places in the United States, especially in rural and mountainous locations, where the Catholic Church struggles to keep parishes open and to educate children in the faith. This collection supports and strengthens the Church here at home in American, with a portion of the support for Black and Native American Indians.

CONTINUING ADULT EDUCATION

Due to the success of the Lenten Series at the Cathedral, *From the Religious Sense to Christianity*, we will continue the discussion with an evening class, reading together "The Religious Sense" by Monsignor Luigi Giussani. Meetings will be held from 7-8 pm on Wednesday evenings beginning May 3, 2006, in the Lower Level of the Cathedral. All are welcome! The book, "The Religious Sense" will be available for sale on Wednesday nights.

ADULT CONFIRMATION MAY 6

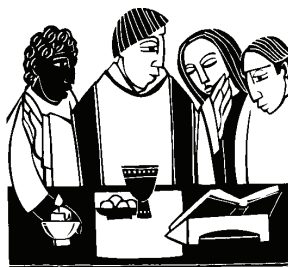
Bishop Weigand has extended an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation to practicing, adult Catholics, who have received religious instruction previously, but for some reason were not confirmed. The celebration of the Sacrament will take place on Saturday May 6 at 12 Noon. Candidates will meet at 9:30 am in the Cathedral Lower Level for reflection on Christian Initiation and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. All are welcome to this Mass at a12 Noon.

JERICHO FUNDRAISER MAY 8

Support the work of social justice and enjoy a relaxing evening at JERICHO's Annual Fundraiser on Monday, May 8, 2006, from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm at the California Chamber of Commerce, 1215 K Street, Suite 1400, Esquire Plaza. Tickets for the Live & Silent Auctions, Food, Drink & Music are \$35 per person. For the past 19 years, JERICHO has engaged faith communities around the state and Legislators to find workable solutions to improve the lives of poor people in California. **Tickets: (916) 441-0387.**

FIRST COMMUNION NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday, May 7, the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament Religious Education Program will celebrate First Communion at the 9:00 am Mass for English speaking students and at 1:00 pm for Spanish speaking students. Please join in celebrating with our young students as they receive the Body and Blood of Christ for the first time.



BISHOP GALLEGOS MATERNITY HOME GARAGE SALE

The Bishop Gallegos Maternity Home, located at 6423 Lang Avenue, Sacramento (Highway 99, exit 47th Ave East, 2nd right), will hold a Garage Sale on May 5-7 (Friday through Sunday). Please visit the home for low prices on furniture, appliances, clothing, electronics, and sporting goods. Donations and volunteers are needed. The Bishop Gallegos Maternity Home provides shelter and care for 12 mothers and babies in a loving home designed to meet their needs during a crisis pregnancy. Call **(916) 395-9370** for donations or if you would like to volunteer time.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MON 5/1/2006	St. Joseph the Worker
12:10 pm: Cory Zoeller +	
5:10 pm Tina Marie Valdez +	
TUES 5/2/2006	St. Athanasius, doctor
12:10 pm: All Souls	
5:10 pm Rudy Pertuke, S.I.	
WED 5/3/2006	St. Philip & St. James, apostles
12:10 pm: Gervasio Anub +	
5:10 pm: Maria Remedios F. Viva, S.I.	
THURS 5/4/2006	Easter Weekday
12:10 pm: In Thanksgiving	
5:10 pm Remedios A. Ferrer, S.I.	
FRI 5/5/2006	Easter Weekday
12:10 pm: Ruben Romo, S.I.	
7:00 pm: All Souls	

New Parishioner Registration and Change of Address Form

Name: _____ Envelope No.: _____

Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Fill out and deposit in Offertory Basket. Thank You!