

The monthly meeting of the Sacred Heart Mission Outreach group will be at Humble Joe's in Anderson at 9am on Thursday, September 14th. The group finds and funds charitable projects throughout the world. Come enjoy a free breakfast and see what we're all about. If attending meetings isn't possible, you can always share by placing your contribution in the Sunday collection and designating it for the Sacred Heart Mission Outreach.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RICA) is the process by which adults undergo educational and spiritual preparation to help them determine whether they are being called to join the Roman Catholic faith community. This program includes the initiation sacraments of Baptism (for those not already baptized Christian), Confirmation & Holy Eucharist.

If you are interested in the RCIA process, please call or stop by the parish office to register. **Classes will begin Thursday, October 12th, 6:30-8:00pm.** Fr. Eric Flores will lead the class along with the RCIA team: *Deacon Rich Valles, Ellen Gutierrez and Sandy Downing.*

THE TRIUMPH OF THE CROSS

September 14th is the feast of the Triumph of the Cross, previously called the Exaltation of the Cross. Christians have celebrated this feast on this day since the first half of the fourth century. According to an Eastern text, the empress Helena discovered the Lord's cross on September 14, 320. Fifteen years later, on September 13, two churches on Golgotha in Jerusalem were consecrated (the Church of the Cross and the Church of the Resurrection). On the following day, the relic of the cross found by Helena was solemnly exposed for public veneration. An annual commemoration began in Jerusalem, and churches in other cities that had relics of the cross brought them forth this day for veneration by the faithful. The ceremony was called the exaltatio (lifting up). What follows are some words our ancestors in the faith have used to describe the mystery, glory and power of the cross of Christ.

May I never boast of anything but the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ! Through it, the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. (Galatians 6:14-16)

*Faithful Cross, above all other,
One and only noble tree,
None in foliage, none in blossom,
None in fruit your peer may be;
Sweet the wood and sweet the iron
And your load, most sweet is He.
Bend your boughs, O Tree of glory!
All your rigid branches, bend!
For a while the ancient temper
That your birth bestowed, suspend;
And the King of earth and heaven
Gently on your bosom tend.*

Venantius Fortunatus, 6th century

WANT TO LEARN HOW TO COOK QUICK, EASY BUDGET FRIENDLY MEALS?

Join us every Monday beginning September 11th through November 6th, 10am – 11:30am for free cooking classes. The classes are offered at Manter House, 1683 Manter Drive, Anderson. These classes will help you:

- Learn how to plan, shop for, and prepare healthy meals for your family.
- Discover delicious, healthy, family-friendly recipes.
- Explore simple ways to be physically active during the day.
- Talk about the connections between food and physical activity.
- Receive free cookbooks and taste tests.
- Earn tickets for a prize drawing.

To reserve your spot, please call Hillary at 225-8469.

MINISTRY DAYS 2017

Registration is now open for Ministry Days 2017, which will be held Friday, September 29th and Saturday, September 30th at St. Francis High School in Sacramento. The theme this year is **"How Do You Know Me?"**, which is taken from the conversation between Jesus and Nathanael in John 1:47-51. Ministry Days is the largest gathering of ministers, catechists and Catholic School teachers in the Diocese of Sacramento. Information/registration available at: www.ministrydays.com.

SACRED HEART FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM

Our English Faith Formation program is now accepting registrations for the 2017-2018 school year. Forms are available by calling the parish office or on our website at www.sacredheartparish.com. Click on the Faith Formation tab and scroll down to "children". There is a link for both the family form and a form for the child.

Our new year will **begin on Wednesday, September 20th** with a parent information meeting in the parish hall at 6:30pm. You may also register at this meeting.

Teachers and aides needed!!! Our Faith Formation program is currently seeking teachers and aides. We need a teacher and an aide for each class. We are also looking for individuals willing to work the front office (at least once a month) on Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:30pm. Faith Formation classes run from the middle of September to the middle of May. All volunteers who work with children must be fingerprinted and complete the Shield the Vulnerable on-line program. More information and forms are available in the parish office, 365-8573.

ANNUAL FALL GREAT SALE

Set aside the date – **September 29th & 30th** – and then start setting aside your good, used items to bring to the parish hall for our Annual Fall Great Sale. We need baby items, toys, furniture, electronics, tools, kitchenware, lawn equipment, antiques, and more... Please, only bring items that are **in good, working condition**, please bring them in beginning Monday, September 25th. We also pick up larger items!

Also, **please set aside some time to volunteer at the sale.** We are especially in need of men to help with pick ups and with unloading vehicles. If you can help, please call Maria at the Thrift Store, 365-5853.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Collection Summary

August 15 th :	\$ 948
August 19/20:	\$3,578
August 26/27:	\$4,466
September 2/3:	\$5,994

For fiscal year 2017–2018

Budgeted for Collections: **\$280,000**
Total for 10 weeks: \$50,081 weekly Goal: \$5,385
 Average Weekly Collection: **\$5,008**

Second Collection

The second collection this weekend is for the Diocesan Collection for Priests Retirement. This is our opportunity to take care of those who have spent their lives caring for our spiritual and sacramental needs within our Diocese. Thank you for your support of our parish priests.

GREETER TRAINING

Have you ever considered volunteering to be a greeter at the 4:30pm or 10:00am Masses?

If so...we have scheduled a training for new greeters **after the 4:30pm and 10:00am Masses this weekend.** Kathy Weiss will train after the 4:30pm Mass and Mike Spence will train after the 10:00am Mass.

If we can train 4 – 6 new greeters for each Mass, it will greatly ease the burden of our existing greeters. We only have **8 greeters** for 4:30 Mass and **8 greeters** for 10:00 Mass.

This is the perfect opportunity for parishioners to practice their "stewardship of time".

WEEKLY REFLECTION

Question of the Week

For Children: What is one thing you would do for someone whom you loved?

For Youth: Jesus tells us about the importance of community and friendship. When have you helped heal an argument between friends? How did that feel?

For Adults: How do you make sure you follow the way of love as described by Paul in today's reading? What steps do you take to eliminate the unloving — grudges, hatred, prejudice, or others.

Liturgy of the Word

Our first reading and Gospel today give us a model to follow when differences arise among us. The way to follow this model is to love one another, as Paul exhorts us to do in the second reading. Yet listen for Jesus' advice for how to deal with someone who is intransigent: "treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector." How did Jesus treat them? What does that mean for you?



May the LORD bless us all the days of our lives

WEEK AT A GLANCE
September 9th - 17th

Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart (Bamey Uphus†)
Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Mass – St. Anne (Sacred Heart Parishioners)
	10:00 a.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart
	10:00 a.m.	Formación de Fe de los niños
	11:15 a.m.	Choir Practice
	12:00 p.m.	Misa en Español
Mon.	NO MASS	
Tue.	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Albert Tosolini†)
	11:00 a.m.	Rosary at Rosie DelaTorre's home
Wed.	8:00 a.m.	Mass
	8:45 a.m.	Hospitality in the parish hall
Thu.	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Fr. Murphy†)
	9:00 a.m.	Sacred Heart Mission Outreach breakfast/meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Bautismo Clase de Preparación
Fri.	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Fr. Michael Brennan†)
	9:00 a.m.	Widowed Group Meeting
	10:30 a.m.	Rosary at Oak River Rehab
	6:00 p.m.	Grupo de Juevenes
Sat.	3:00 p.m.	Confessions
	4:30 p.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart
Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Mass – St. Anne (Sacred Heart Parishioners)
	10:00 a.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart
	10:00 a.m.	Formación de Fe de los niños
	12:00 p.m.	Misa en Español

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon.** Colossians 1:24–2:3; Luke 6:6-11
- Tue.** Colossians 2:6-15; Luke 6:12-19
- Wed.** Colossians 3:1-11; Luke 6:20-26
(St. John Chrysostom – Memorial)
- Thu.** Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17
(The Triumph of the Holy Cross – Feast)
- Fri.** 1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14; John 19:25-27
(Our Lady of Sorrows – Memorial)
- Sat.** 1 Timothy 1:15-17; Luke 6:43-49
(Sts. Cornelius and Cyprian – Memorial)
- Sun.** Sirach 27:30–28:7; Romans 14:7-9; Matthew 18:21-35

PRAYER CONCERNS

Mary Rowe, Joe Fitzpatrick, Delaney Valles, Ross Clark, Melody Christenson, Mary Jarvis, David Jacobs, Regina Barker, Mary O'Keefe, Ann Whitmore, Jay Burns.

50'S PLUS CLUB

Do you want to meet people your own age (50 or more) and have a fabulous meal too? Come to 50s Plus Club on the second Tuesday of each month (**except July and August**) at 11:30am. We gather at St. Joseph's downstairs meeting room for a potluck lunch and a brief meeting. It's informal and fun. Just bring a dish to pass. Dues are very reasonable at \$10/year/person. Sometimes we even play bingo. For more information, call Margaret, 222-4991.