St. John The Baptist Catholic Church

St. John the Baptist Church
435 Chestnut St.
Chico, CA 95928

St. James Mission
2416 Faber St.
Durham, CA
Mass: Sunday 9am

Parochial Administrator
Fr. Michael Ritter

Parochial Vicar
Fr. Joshua Sia

Deacons
F. Paul Sajben
Jesus Padilla Campos
William Bruening
Stephen Schwartz

Notre Dame Catholic School
Grades TK-8
Principal: Kelly Stewart
Phone: (530)342-2502
Website: ndschico.org

Notre Dame Preschool
Director: Shelly Brown
Office: (530) 487-7330
Website: ndschico.org/preschool

MARCH 1
2020

Parish Office Hours: Monday thru Friday 11am - 4pm
Phone: (530) 343-8741 Fax: (530) 345-8602
Email: office@sjbchico.org
Website: www.sjbchico.org

First Sunday of Lent

ONE DOES NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE,
BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT COMES
FORTH FROM THE MOUTH OF GOD.
- MATTHEW 4:4

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Mass Schedule/Horario de Misas

Daily Masses/Misas Diarias
Monday-Thursday/Lunes a Jueves
7:30am English/Inglés
Fridays/Viernes-8:30am/English/Inglés

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays
6:00pm English.

Wednesday 6:00pm Spanish
Lunes, Martes, Jueves y Viernes 6:00pm Inglés, Miércoles 6:00pm Español.

Saturday Vigil/Vigilia de Sábado
5:00pm English/Inglés, 7pm Spanish/Español

Sunday/Domingo
8:00am, 10:00am, 5:00pm English/Inglés
12:00pm Spanish/Español

Penance/Confesiones
Saturdays/Sábados 3:30 - 4:30pm

Or anytime by appointment/O llame a la oficina para hacer una cita.

Anointing of the Sick, call the parish office
Para la unción de los enfermos llamar a la oficina parroquial (530)343-8741

BOOKKEEPER'S CORNER
To register, update or see your donation information, please go to: sjbchico.org/register

Forgot your checks or don't have cash you can set up automatic donations at sjbchico.org/give

*Note: If you are currently giving on our old online giving website, please cancel your payment account. The old website will no longer be used.

Or
TEXT to GIVE. Set up your account once then text 530-404-5115 the amount of your donation.

Do you shop on Amazon? Please use smile.amazon.com and select Pastor of St John the Baptist Chico as your charity.

Pray for a Priest Each Day

Each day in the month of March, our parish will set aside a day to pray for the name of a priest serving in the Diocese of Sacramento. We share the Joy of this devotion with all parish community members. Please remember all priests, deacons and religious in your daily prayers. Thank you in advance for all prayers.

Heavenly Father, grant that our priests, especially be strengthened by the power of the Eucharist they celebrate. May the Word they proclaim give them courage and wisdom. We pray that all those whom they seek to serve may see in them the love and care of Jesus, our Eternal High Priest, who is Lord forever and ever. Amen

March 1- Rev. Joyle T. Martinez
March 2- Rev. Philip V. Massetti, OSJ
March 3- Rev. Joshy Mathew, CMI
March 4- Rev. Giltus Mathias, CP
March 5- Rev. John P. McGarry, SJ
March 6- Rev. Paul M. McNamee
March 7- Rev. Lester Menor
March 8- Rev. Harold Meyer, OCSO
March 9- Rev. J. Fernando Meza
March 10- Rev. Jonathan B. Molina
March 11- Rev. Hector Montoya
March 12- Rev. Joseph Moons, CP
March 13- Rev. Placid Morris, OCSO
March 14- Rev. Michael E. Moynahan, SJ
March 15- Rev. Roman C. Mueller
March 16- Rev. Bernardin Mugabo
March 17- Rev. Thomas Myladil, OCD
March 18- Rev. Brent C. Nall
March 19- Rev. Joseph (Huong) X. Nguyen
March 20- Rev. Joseph V. Nguyen, OCIST
March 21- Rev. Leo Tien Nguyen, OCIST
March 22- Rev. Stephen B. Nguyen, OCIST
March 23- Rev. Vincent L. Nguyen, OCIST
March 24- Rev. Louis M. Nhien, CRM
March 25- Rev. Timothy M. Nondorf
March 26- Rev. Jude C. Okafor
March 27- Rev. Michael Olszewski
March 28- Rev. Thomas O'Neill, SJ
March 29- Rev. Desmond T. O'Reilly
March 30- Very Rev. Michael O'Reilly
March 31- Rev. Julito R. Orpilla

Please keep in your prayers/ Mantengamoslos en nuestras oraciones:
For their health/Por la salud de:
Tom McCampbell, Manuel Guerra, Servando Jacobo, Ian Redman, Marvila Olvera, Rosaria Reyes, Marivel Carrillo, Michele Bole, Maria Socorro Castro, David Stoner, Esperanza Angel, Ed Krajcirik, Jesus Arevalo, Pete Mastelatto, Arturo Alvarez, Enedina Arellano, Jim McFadden, and Eugene Martin.

For the repose of their Souls/ Por el Descanso de sus almas:

If you or someone you know needs prayer please contact the parish office (530)343-8741 or email at: office@sjbchico.org. The names will remain on the list for 3 weeks. Si usted o alguien que conoce necesita oración por favor comuníquese a la oficina parroquial al (530)343-8741 O al correo electrónico office@sjbchico.org
Mass Intentions
Intenciones de las Misas

Sat 29 5:00p  RCIA Catechumens and Candidates
7:00p  †Jose Macias by Griselda Macias
Sun 1 8:00a  †Manuel & Maria Barros by Joe & Bernice Toste
10:00a  Youth on Retreat
12:00p  †Martin Diaz by Diaz Family
†Josefina Frías
5:00p  Vera Doucette (living)
Mon 2 7:30a  †Patricia Fournier by Schaeffer Family
6:00p  Special Intention
Tues 3 7:30a  All Souls in Purgatory
6:00p  Manuel Guerra (living)
Wed 4 7:30a  †Luis Hernandez by Teresita
6:00p  †Leopoldo Silva by Irma Douglas
†Josefiná Frias
Thurs 5 7:30a  Diocese of Sacramento
6:00p  Moncerrat Camacho (living b’day)
Fri 6 8:30a  †Robert Bucci
6:00p  Kenny Hooper (living b’day) by Carmen Jauregui
Sat 7 5:00p  †Lawrence Fernandes by Monica Pinckney
7:00p  All Souls in Purgatory
†Jose Macias by Griselda Macias
†Ramon Moreno by Elvia Espinoza
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Mass intentions - St James
Sun 1 9:00am  Sick & Homebound

Parish/School News

St Johns Lenten Penance Service
When: March 9th at 6pm
Where: St Johns the Baptist Parish
(Note: THERE WILL NO EVENING MASS THAT DAY)
“Repent for the kingdom of God is at hand” (Mt. 4:17)

Stations of the Cross: Come walk in the footsteps of Christ, this Lent. Every Friday during Lent February 28th–April 3rd at 6:30pm in the church.

Notre Dame Catholic School Bareroot Fruit and Nut Tree Sale Fundraiser
* 1-5 Trees $20/tree
* 6-10 Trees $15/tree
Cherry, Apple, Pear, Peach, Nectarine, Almond, Walnut, Pomegranate and More!
Please come to CHICO NUT COMPANY
Located at 2020 Esplanade Chico CA 95926
Thank You to Sierra Gold Nursery for donating 100% of the trees!

The Catholic Schools Department is holding a Town Hall meeting to announce the decision about the future of Mercy High School in Red Bluff on March 5th at 7:00pm, in the gym at Mercy. Everyone is invited to attend.

Notre Dame School:
Is looking for substitute teachers who are able to create and maintain a respectful and fair classroom culture that fosters safe and productive learning while exemplifying the positive virtues of the school. All you need to get started is a Bachelor’s degree. Please stop by the school office and pick up an application from Mrs. Bertagna so that we can put you on our call list right away. For more information please call (530)342-2502.

40 days for life begins on Feb. 26th, Ash Weds. So grab a friend and a Rosary and join us! Why? Because abortion, the gravest evil of our day, has taken more than 61 million of our sons, daughters, friends, and neighbors and abortion rates drop significantly when someone is on the side walk praying. YOU, with the Lords help, can make a difference and save a lives! Sign up at 40daysforlife.com/chico. Questions? Contact Mary 345-8638; Diane 519-9749. 40dayschico@gmail.com

Operating Income & Expense (updated weekly)
Ingresos y gastos operativos
(actualizados semanalmente)

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is hiring additional full-time Camp Fire Disaster Case Managers to work out of our Chico, Gridley, and Paradise offices. If interested in learning more about the position, please email Stephanie Gregorio at sggregorio@svdp-sacramento.org to receive a job description and further information.

**CATHOLIC LADIES RELIEF SOCIETY:** March 3rd, Tuesday, we will have a potluck luncheon at 12:00 noon in the social hall at Our Divine Savior. This will be for the Dist. Deputy and Grand President visiting us. Our business meeting starts at 1:00. We will have the election of Delegates to Convention. Pope Francis would like us to grow closer to the Lord during this Lenten Season, one day at a time. Any Questions, Yvonne Hawkins, 895-8331

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**Library Hours & News**

**Fridays 8am to 10pm - Sundays 9am to 12am**

Come by and join us in the Parish Library after 8 am and 10 am Masses for coffee and treats and conversation. We have many materials that you may be interested in, including books on Lent. Keep in mind that we are also open on Friday mornings, which is a quiet time to browse in the library between 8 - 10 am.

**New Books:**

"The Creed-Professing the Faith Through the Ages" by Scott Hahn  This book on the central and essential mysteries of the faith is very interesting and readable and traces the history of the creed from the fourth century. If it's Scott Hahn, it’s always good!

"The Joys of Successful Aging-Finishing with Grace"  This is an uplifting and helpful book written by a protestant pastor but filled with quotes from Catholic sources. With chapters such as “People of Faith Tend to Live Longer” and plenty of humor, this one is a winner!

"The Fifteenth Pelican-The Original Adventures of Sister Bertrille"  is the book that inspired the TV series “The Flying Nun”. This is a delightful little novel from the 60’s.

"Letter to a Suffering Church- A Bishop Speaks on the Sexual Abuse Crisis"  written by Bishop Robert Barron gives us hope for the future. Pointing out that the Church has been through continual crises through the century he advises “Don’t abandon the Church, which is one of the few remaining institutions in our society that will speak to your children of God!”

"Praying with Celtic Holy Women"  has histories of many Celtic holy women and saints, pilgrimage sites, and traditional prayers and devotions attributed to them.

"Man's Search for Meaning"  by Viktor Frankl  Mentioned by Fr. Mike recently, the author writes about surviving Auschwitz and Dauchau himself and what he observed about those around him. He wrote about the profound positive effect of finding meaning in and through suffering. He objects to the nihilism “transmitted on academic campuses and many an academic couch”.

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**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**

**What is the Rite of Christian Initiation called the Rite of Sending?**

Across the entire world, Catholic bishops on the first Sunday of Lent will welcome those sent by the parish to gather together with their godparents and sponsors in what is known as the Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion.

**The Rite of Sending, which will be celebrated at the Sat. Vigil Mass on Feb. 29, offers the parish community an opportunity to acknowledge the spiritual progress the catechumens and candidates have made, express approval of their election or recognition, and send them forth to our bishop with assurance of the parish’s care and support. To send a catechumen or candidate to the bishop means that a parish has discerned that the person is ready to enter the Catholic Church (or if baptized, to make their Profession of Faith and/or complete their Sacraments of Initiation).**

In Sacred Scripture, the Book of Revelation makes reference to a “Book of Life,” in which are written the names of those who have chosen to follow the Lord Jesus and be baptized. Those who are already baptized, as Catholics or in other denominations, had our names written in the Book of Life at our Baptism. In this Rite, those preparing for Baptism are invited to come forward and sign a book, called the “Book of the Elect” as a sign of their desire to be numbered among the chosen of God. Please continue to keep all of our inquirers, catechumens and candidates in your prayers!

**Please be aware that there will be several rows reserved for the catechumens and candidates and their sponsors/godparents at the Vigil Mass on Feb. 29 on the left side of the church toward the front. We will leave the first two rows open for lectors and those who are handicapped.**

If you or someone you know is thinking about becoming Catholic, desires to complete their Sacraments of Initiation, or would like to know what the Catholic Church teaches, please call the office at 343-8741 ext. 210, check us out online at sjbchico.org/RCIA or email Lori Smith at lorris@sjbchico.org for more information. It’s never too late to join us!

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**Young Adults 19 -35 / Spring Alpha Program**

*Free Meal  *Watch a Video  *Group Discussion
Meet new friends your age around a discussion of the Christian Faith.

**Monday Evenings 6:30pm-8:30pm**

**1363 E. Lindo Ave #12 Chico CA, 95926**

**CALL/TEXT (903) 343-3567**
Clases para Padrinos de Primera Comunión y Confirmación.

Si usted o alguien que conoce va a ser padrino en otra parroquia. Para los Sacramentos de Primera Comunión y Confirmación y necesita asistir a clase de preparación. Nuestra Parroquia tendrá una única oportunidad para hacerlo el 14 de Marzo de 8am a 12am. Para más información llame a la oficina parroquial al (530)343-8741