

MASS INTENTIONS

Table with columns for Day, Date, Time, and Requester. Rows include: Saturday May 7 6:30 AM Sara Centeno; Saturday May 7 5:00 PM Alta Van Driesen; Sunday May 8 7:30 AM Jerry & Karen Hill; Sunday May 8 9:00 AM For all Mothers; Sunday May 8 10:30 AM Emily & Margaret Twaddle; Sunday May 8 12:30 PM Ana Cano; Sunday May 8 5:00 PM Missa Pro Populo; Monday May 9 6:30 AM Elrita Watson; Monday May 9 8:00 AM Raquel Monreal; Tuesday May 10 6:30 AM Charles Kirkpatrick; Tuesday May 10 8:00 AM Roberto Garcia; Wednesday May 11 6:30 AM Poor Souls in Purgatory; Wednesday May 11 8:00 AM Joseph, Erica, Casey & Adriana Lacher; Thursday May 12 6:30 AM Marion Marchello; Thursday May 12 8:00 AM Poor Souls in Purgatory; Thursday May 12 9:00 PM Fr. Louis Marx; Friday May 13 6:30 AM Al & Kay Lizarraga & Sons; Friday May 13 8:00 AM Alicia de la Pena; Saturday May 14 6:30 AM Poor Souls in Purgatory; Saturday May 14 5:00 PM Alta Van Driesen.

INTENTIONS FOR THE SICK

Vanessa Vargas, Mother Lily, Marianne Ennis, Anita Hoth, Joyce Starks, Ray Cisneros, Lil Zachary Smith, Carol Cuellar, Darlene Wheat, Susie Hudson, Everett Hunt, Sylvia Todd, John Sherrett, Bill & Dorothy White, Peter & Barbara Halpin, Eugene Hackbarth, Michael Espalin, Christina Runge, Guillermo Aceituno, Robert & Marysia & Tyler Johnson, Gabriel Aguirre, Steve Espalin, Bentrina Johnson, Garrett Espalin, Charles Traynor, Mary Elizabeth Quan, Margaret and Gordon Goodrich, Miguel Vasquez Sr., Robert McElhenney, Florence Groffredi, Josh Patton, Jennifer Caballero, JoAnne Doreen Agcaoili, Dolores Smoll, Jacey Noel Joyce, Tim Kline, Arlene Bush, Frank Moreno, Ophelia Carmona, Rolando Bunao, Fr. Jim Williams, Mark Berquist, Jim Metzger, Cecilia Ordonez, Nenita De La Santo, Ana Floersch, Ray & Pam Powers, Laurie Sousa, Mario Escobar, Bernadine McGregor, Lydia Brown, Mary Gerardo, Karen & Eddie Pimentel, Noah Portka, Theresa The, Dan Fredericks, Millie Higgins, Ed Cramm, Mary Schlesinger, Joyce Sebo, Baby Nathan Marinzack Jr., Christina Guerra, Gary Metoyer, Richard Rhinehart, Sue Strough, Josette On-Sy, George Wood, Helen Ferrel, Donna Beckman, Baby Joseph, Baby Rose, Sherri McCaffrey, Jonathan Martinez, Fr. Joe Quattrotane, Michelle Clum, Baby Lola Ortega, Theresa Ortega, Frieda Dunn, Olivia Vazquez, Doloras Gallegos, Barbra & Ferdinand Roccahti, Jose Magana, Clementina Rodriguez, John L. Petersen, Nancy Runage, Patty Zanini, Lupe Guerrero, Anthony The, Anthony Nigliazio, Nancy Yarbrough, Jaime Hernandez, Florentina Valenzuela, Francisco S. Salcido, Thelma Ryan, Susan Galvan, Linda Baginski

INTENTIONS FOR THE DECEASED

Alta Van Driesen, Robert Madrid, Aurora Rivera, Robert Mesias, Ana Cano, Librado Mendoza, Peter S. Keenan, William Brown, Nick Wolber, Frank Awayan, Fr. Michael O’Day, Carrie Thomas, Joe D’Ambrosio, Irene Ross, Patricia Burns, Dorothy Nigliazio, Josephine A. Garcia, Gisela Leonard, Manuel Mendoza, Mary Seko, Bobby Yingling, Ed Lyons

SACRIFICIAL GIVING – Those who obey the commandments, Jesus says in the Gospel, are the ones who really love Him. Does my stewardship reveal my love for Jesus?

CHOOSE LIFE – Pregnancy Hot Line (909) 985-0205

“The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any cathedral--a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby’s body.” –Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty

MOTHER’S DAY ROSE SALE – TODAY!

May 8th is the day we dedicate to “Moms” in appreciation for their vocation and their sacrifices they make in their raising of children (and Husbands too). On this day we will have our annual Mother’s Day Rose sale, which gives roses to Mom’s and raises funds to support babies in need through local pregnancy centers and various safe houses for Mom’s and babies. –San Secondo Pro Life

CENACLES OF LIFE Come and join us as we pray for the Right to Life for all the children of the womb and to end abortion. Thank you.

3rd SUNDAY IN EASTER

May 8th, 2011

Story of St. Helena

The name of Helena has long been linked with the discovery of the Cross of Christ. In a sermon he preached in 395, St. Ambrose said that Helena, on discovering the True Cross, “worshiped not the wood, but the King, Him who hung on the wood. She burned with an earnest desire of touching the guarantee of immortality.”

An innkeeper’s daughter, Helena was born in Bithynia, Asia Minor. She became the wife of the Roman General, Constantius Chlorus. A son, Constantine (surname the Great), was born to them in 280.

When Constantius was appointed Caesar in 293, having a nonpartisan wife caused him some embarrassment. So he divorced Helena and remarried. He died in 306, after only one year as Emperor.

Constantine, the son of Helena, ascended the throne. The much persecuted Church now breathed more freely under Constantine the Great. By the Edict of Milan in 313, he decreed that Christianity be the official religion throughout the empire. His mother is thought to have embraced Christianity at that time. She was already in her sixties and to quote the historian Eusebius, “became such a devout servant of God that one might believe her to have been a disciple of the Savior of mankind from her very childhood.”

When her son became master of the East, after his victory over Licinius, Helena was able to fulfill a beautiful dream: Her heart singing within her, she undertook a pilgrimage to Palestine.

Rufinius reports in his *Ecclesiastical History* that she was inspired to direct digging in a certain spot on Mount Calvary; here three crosses were unearthed. A fifth-century tradition claims that Bishop Macarius had a sick woman touch the crosses. She touched two without any change in her condition. But, on touching the third, she was healed, immediately.

Helena with her son Constantine had several churches erected on sacred sites, notably in Bethlehem, on the Mount of Olives and on Mount Calvary.

Helena helped refugees, visited prisoners, fed the hungry, clothed the naked and was especially kind to religious persons. She died in 330 and is named in the calendar of saints on, August 18.

--*Holy Land Newsletter*

“BEHOLD THY MOTHER...”

Jesus gave His Mother to us as our mother also. Dying on the Cross, Jesus told Saint John, standing there with *His* Blessed Mother, “Behold Thy Mother!” Throughout more than twenty centuries our Catholic Church joyfully accepted Mary from Jesus, as, one of His most precious gift.

One of the invocations in the Litany of the Blessed Mother speaks of her as *“cause of our joy.”* And indeed she is. She gave us Jesus who is our Savior. As our Savior He redeemed us from darkness and doom and brought us hope and happiness here on earth and far more important eternal happiness and joy in the world to come.

I remember a sermon I heard long ago as a child. The priest spoke of the dimension of joy which Mary adds to our Church and to our spiritual life. “As a church composed of human people, what would we ever do if we had no mother?” he asked. “Had we not a Mother, we would be like a partially orphaned Church.” Human beings must have the joy of a mother. Therefore God gave us Mary, she completes the circle of our joy...

“May ALL Mothers enjoy their special day in union with the Blessed Mother in her month of May!”

--Father Pokorny

GOING AWAY PARTY FOR FR. TOMKINS – MAY 15TH

Father Bob Tomkins has been with us here at San Secondo for the past three years and we are sad to say that he will be leaving us at the end of May to return home to Seattle. We are having a surprise going away party for him on May 15th from 9:00 AM till 2:00 PM in the Hall. Please stop by to say good-bye and to enjoy some finger foods and drinks. We will miss Father Tomkins and we wish him the very best! God Bless you for all you have done for our Parish! *****

2011 DIOCESEAN DEVELOPMENT FUND

Thank you to all who have made their Pledge or made a one time gift donation towards our parish’s DDF goal. According to the Diocese website **213 donors have contributed \$21,009.51** towards our goal of \$51,000. We are still hoping for 100% participation this year! Even just donating \$10 dollars a month will make a big difference! If you would like to make a donation there will be golden letter envelopes addressed to the Dioceses in the metal stand in the back of the church. Thank you and God Bless! *****

OLIVEWOOD HANDCRAFTED FROM THE HOLY LAND – MAY 14TH-15TH

The Good Shepherd’s will be selling olivewood handcrafted from the Holy Land. The items are all carved by local craftsmen. Your support of this tradition will help to protect this very important culture and industry. *****

13th Annual MOTHER’S DAY RAFFLE

The Altar & Rosary Society would like to thank everyone who participated in our Mother’s Day 50/50 Raffle. Our congratulations to this year’s winner: Mr. Carlos Scoltock, for the amount of \$125.50. Our Mother’s Day Raffle proceeds will go to beautify our Lord’s altar. Also, the Altar Society is looking for “a few good women”. Can you volunteer once a month for Our Lord, in preparing His sanctuary? No experience necessary. We will train you. Thank you.

2011 SPRING COMBINED COLLECTION

It is that time again to help our less fortunate brothers and sisters in Christ, by raising funds to support the four apostolates, Catholic Campaign for Human Development, Catholic Communications Campaign, Catholic Relief Services, and Peter’s Pence, in the Spring Combined Collection. This 2nd Collection is scheduled for May 21st and 22nd, 2011. Thank you for your support.

CORPUS CHRISTI MEETING

Our next meeting for Corpus Christi will be **May 14, 2011 at 3:00PM.**

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!!! Mark your calendars, for San Secondo d’Asti’s celebration, of the Corpus Christi Feast Day.

Come and join us as we celebrate this great Solemnity of Corpus Christi, (the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ). In preparation for this great Feast Day, we will be having a Nine-day Novena with Benediction at 7:00PM, here at San Secondo d’Asti on June 17th, through June 25th, 2011.

On Sunday June 26th, our celebration of Corpus Christi will begin with a Procession at 12:30PM, Holy Mass at 2:00PM, followed by an International buffet, with entertainment.

Let us show our appreciation and our gratitude to Our Lord, for the great *Love HE* has for us in the **Blessed Sacrament.** Thank you .
