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Dear Friends!

Well the financial year is over and we are now into a new one. So a little report is in order, I think. That is, I wish to give a little stewardship report at the end of this fiscal year.

I want to do so because I know that the Christian and biblical practice of tithing can be very difficult. It is very difficult to budget for the 90% because the first ten percent of all we have is given and sacrificed to Almighty God.

I know that this is difficult too because times can be hard and because we can become attached to our wealth, lifestyles, etc.

For all those of you who are so generous, tithing and sacrificing your first and best fruits to God for His glory--as indeed we are all called to do--I thought I would give an update as to how your generous offerings are being used here.

First of all, there is the normal running of the parish and, thanks be to God, in the office and around the parish we have worked hard to run a very lean operation here. Our expenses are way down. We have cut way back on everything so as to free using parish resources for things that matter.

Just to give you an idea of what I mean in terms of cutting back:

Three years ago, in the 2013-2014 fiscal year, we spent \$31,316.72 for clergy and parish food / grocery items. In the 2014-2015 fiscal year that amount was reduced to \$7,981.23. Last fiscal year (i.e. since I have been here at Sacred Heart) we spent \$3,403.39 for the same.

So just in terms of food and groceries, we have cut back almost \$28,000 dollars annually. And this is just one example. We will of course publish the full financial reports of the parish, as all parishes are required to do, and you can see the rest.

We have cut way back so that we can do great things with all that you so generously give your parish.

One such great thing that really matters is having a beautiful church and having a beautiful worship of God. We were able to purchase the nicest organ within 500 miles of here, and God willing will be able to raise enough money for the pipes which will make it out of this world.

We were able to get a brand new, state-of-the-art Bose sound system for our church and our gym.

We have also been able to purchase absolutely beautiful Altar furnishings for our Church which will be here hopefully in a couple weeks. We will have a beautiful altar crucifix, altar candles, etc. etc.

And we can do still more making our Church beautiful, like, for example, maybe this upcoming year getting stained glass windows for the sides going up of our church. Just an idea!!!

Another thing is that we have been able to do A LOT for the poor and needy. As I mentioned at Mass, already this calendar year, in half the time, we have done more than we did all last year in terms of our food pantry. In the last six months we have served and helped more families and households than we did the whole 12 months previous to that. We are literally doing twice as much for the poor.

We are taking care of long overdue maintenance issues. We have fixed all of our leaking roofs, dealt with all of our plumbing issues, we have gotten new air conditioners in the gym and food pantry, we are putting new air conditioners and heaters in all the classrooms, we were able to get a state of the art high definition camera security system to protect our parish, etc. etc. We were able to hire Mr. Frank Sanchez who is now here full time at our parish. He has over 30 year of experience working in the Clovis schools and is doing a wonderful job bringing that expertise here to our parish, fixing and updating everything.

We are supporting our young people. We have gotten all new materials for youth group and CCD, we sent 49 people from our parish to a life changing retreat in Denver, we are getting TVs and all new technology for the classrooms, etc. etc.

And we are doing still a lot more! We will be starting Coffee and Donuts after both Sunday Masses to foster our community here. (This way too we can enjoy the new air conditioners in the gym!). We are supporting organizations like the Pregnancy Resource Center and other poor parishes, we have given out thousands and thousands of Rosaries to people all around Clovis, we have been able to bring in Sisters and Religious Priests to our parish, etc. etc.

All in all, and these are just some highlights, I think you will see and will agree that your parish is doing a lot and that we are being very good stewards of the resources that have been entrusted to us.

Again, the full financial reports we will publish soon here in the bulletin, but this just as a preliminary account.

Please continue with your generosity. Not only is it our Christian duty to do so, but you can see it is all going to support the wonderful work of your wonderful parish. I mean, look at all the good that was done last year; just imagine what all we can continue doing this year!

God bless you! Get someone signed up for CCD, Youth Group, or RCIA in this upcoming week. Now is the time for registrations, and that's still your homework assignment.

My love to all of you in Christ Jesus (1Cor16:24),

Fr. Simon



Registration Information

CCD EARLY REGISTRATION

REGISTER EARLY !!!!!

Please take the opportunity to register for CCD, RCIA, Confirmation and Youth Group. Lora Rodriguez, our Director of Religious Education will be taking registrations in the school building after the 10:30am every Sunday in the month of July. Additional dates and times are as follows:

- Wednesday, July 20th from—11:30am—1:30pm
- Wednesday, August 3rd from—11:30 am—1:30pm

Please bring a copy of their Baptismal and First Holy Communion Certificates if you did not bring them last year. The cost will be \$25 per family.

If you have any questions, you may contact Lora Rodriguez at (575) 309-8130.



RCIA REGISTRATION

Have you been Baptized? Have you made your First Holy Communion? Have you made your Confirmation? Are you thinking of becoming Catholic? This is the time where you can complete your sacraments or learn more about our Catholic faith. Classes are beginning soon so register early. Registration will be taking place **after the 10:30am Mass every Sunday in July in the school building**. Please follow CCD early Registration schedule for additional dates and times. If you have any questions, please call Lora Rodriguez at (575) 309-8130.

Religious Education



INFORMATION

Pre-K (age 3-4) - 5th Grade

CCD starts Wednesday, August 17th, at 6:00PM and will meet every Wednesday evening.

RCIA

Starts Monday, August 22nd and will meet on Monday evenings at 7:00PM.

6th & 7th Grade/Confirmation 1 & 2/ Youth Group & Apologetics

Starts Sunday, August 21st at 4:30PM and will meet every Sunday.

Adults

Starts Wednesday, August 17th, at 6:30PM and will meet every Wednesday in the Church.

This a new and wonderful thing we are having this year: we will be having class also for adults and all the parents on Wednesday nights. Just as there is something great for children there will be something great for adults as well while CCD is going on. Attendance will be taken for all those who have children in CCD, just like it is taken for the kids.



Early registration is taking place for Apologetics. This class is for young adults who have made their Confirmation and is also open to **all adults** who want to learn more about our Catholic faith. Please follow CCD early registration times and dates.

Sacrosanctum Concilium

Seminarian Tim Meurer will be offering a class this **Wednesday, July 27th at 7:00** in the school. The class will be on **Sacrosanctum Concilium—Part 2**, a document from the Second Vatican Council about liturgical celebration. If you have ever wondered what Vatican II actually said about celebrating the Mass, praying the Liturgy of the Hours, sacred music, and more, this is the class for you!

Altar Server Training

This a mandatory meeting for all Altar Servers and for those who are interested in becoming Altar Servers. It will be held on Tuesday, July 26th at 6:00 pm in the church. Please plan to attend.

Coffee & Donuts!!!

We will begin serving coffee & donuts after both 8:30 am & the 10:30 am Mass on Sunday, July 31st, and every Sunday....

If you are interested in volunteering to help with this ministry, please call the parish office.

We will meet in the Gym where it is nice a cool with our new airconditioners!!!!

Please come join us!


**Mass Intentions
for the Week**
SATURDAY July 23, 2016

5:30 P.M. For the people of the parish

SUNDAY July 24, 2016

8:30 A.M. † Allen Jesko

10:30 A.M. Benny Sena (Health)

MONDAY July 25, 2016

5:30 P.M. † Mary Robles (Birthday)

TUESDAY July 26, 2016

7:00 A.M. † Ed Root

WED July 27, 2016

12:10 P.M. † Paul Sandoval

THURSDAY July 28, 2016

7:00 A.M. † Benerito & Rosarito Gallegos
† Benny Gallegos, Jr.

FRIDAY July 29, 2016

5:30 P.M. † Nick Griego, Sr.

SATURDAY July 30, 2016

5:30 P.M. † Dr. Sebastian Stella (13th Anniversary)

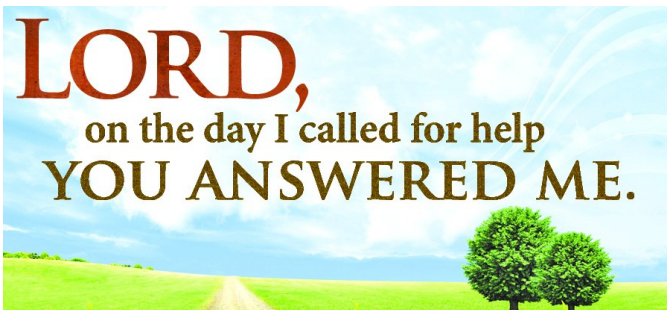
SUNDAY July 31, 2016

8:30 A.M. For the people of the parish

10:30 A.M. Luis & Marta Campos

ST. CATHERINE MISSION

1:00 P.M. † George Roger Barnard



MINISTERS – SATURDAY – July 30, 2016**SACRISTANS**

5:30 P.M. Mario & Vivian Trujillo

ALTAR SERVERS5:30 P.M. Thomas Palla
Grant Palla
Jacob Rowley**LECTORS**5:30 P.M. Jack Palla
Megan Palla**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**5:30 P.M. R-Lola Bryant*
R-Katie Haynes-Burns
L-Mario Trujillo
L-Vivian Trujillo**MINISTERS – SUNDAY – July 31, 2016****SACRISTANS**8:30 A.M. Mary Shockley
Jesse Alvarez
10:30 A.M. Fidel Madrid
Cliff Kuchta**ALTAR SERVERS**8:30 A.M. I—Jovan Garcia
David Garcia
Esperanza Tafoya
Victoria Gutierrez
10:30 A.M. Francisco Rodriguez
Marvin Campos
Kruz Trujillo**LECTORS**8:30 A.M. Katie Haynes-Burns
Sean Little
10:30 A.M. Dora Rivero
Carlos Rivero**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION**8:30 A.M. R-Christy Gutierrez*
R-Victor Gutierrez
L-Lila Lucero
L-Jimmy Maes
10:30 A.M. R-Rebecca Eggers*
R-Paul Ellis
L-Suzanne Ellis
L-Jean Kaplan**CHURCH CLEANING**July 30 – * Marcie Martinez, Angela Fox,
Rose Ann Martinez**ALTAR LINENS**

July – Norma Walters

**EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION
TO THE HOMEBOUND & NURSING HOMES****July 31, 2016****No Visitation Scheduled For The 5th Sunday.****We are in need of volunteers to help!**

Distribution is held every Saturday of the month. Anyone interested in volunteering, please come at 8:30 am! This is a truly beautiful ministry living the Gospel and really helping many in need here in our community.

If you are interested, please call Rosie Buchan at (575) 309-5040 so she can give you further information and to inform you of a time to meet to help prepare for our distribution, or call the parish office and leave your name and phone number so that we may contact you.

Our next distribution will be—July 23, 2016.**The Food Pantry is in need of the following items:**

Canned Vegetables,
Canned Meats,
Canned Fruit,
Cereal,
Adult Toothbrushes,
and Lunchbox Snacks

Any help will be greatly appreciated. You can place items in the baskets in the back of the church or bring them into the parish office. Thank you and may God Bless you.

