RECONCILIATION:
Every Saturday:
4:00pm or by appointment
INFANT BAPTISM:
Parents should call the office to schedule a Baptism
MARRIAGE:
Couples should call the office for an appointment with a priest six months prior to the wedding

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MASS SCHEDULE:
WEEKDAYS—8:30AM
SATURDAY VIGIL 5:00PM
SUNDAY –7:30, 9:00 AND 11:00AM

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August 20, 2017

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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 20, 2017

CALLED TO ACT IN GOD'S NAME

"Let all the nations praise you!" (Psalm 67:4) today's psalm response exclaims. In the psalms and other Hebrew scriptures, this kind of invocation is actually an invitation to God to act, to intervene in human lives in a manner that will cause everyone—not just the Chosen People—to give praise. Stated a bit more strongly, it is something of a "put up or shut up" challenge to God, the sort of strong statement the psalmists of Israel, trusting in their intimate and loving relationship with God, were not afraid to make.

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The Gospel has its own exclamation, announcing the appearance of the Canaanite woman with "Behold!" (Matthew 15:22) "Behold!" is a scriptural flag that tells us that God is about to act or announce something through an individual or a situation. In the case of Jesus, God was going to act through this woman, whom nobody among Jesus' followers would have believed to be an agent of the divine will. Like the psalmists, we might passively inform or perhaps even actively challenge God to do something so that everyone will come to belief, but God will always turn the tables on us. It becomes our calling, our duty (as it was for Jesus) to behold the situations and persons of our daily lives so that God can act through us, so the Kingdom can be announced through our living.

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Diocesan Capital Campaign (update to 03/31/2017)

Goal: $216,358.99 **- Funds raised:** $192,579.00 or 89% **- Actual Receipts:** $120,726.02.

2017 Bishop's Appeal - 08/3/2017

Goal: $10,613.65 **- Funds raised:** $11,640.00 or 110% **- Actual Receipts:** $10,728.33.

TEEN CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

St. Jerome Church is forming a class of 9th -12th graders to prepare for the Sacrament of Confirmation to begin in September. This will be an opportunity for Faith, Formation, Fellowship, and Fun! The class is held every other year so it's particularly important for juniors and seniors to take advantage of the program. The program will begin in September. Please call the parish office for a registration form and more information, 525.0876.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

I am available for registration for our Children's Catechetical Program on these Sundays:
Sunday, August 20, 2017: 10:00am--1:00pm
Sunday, August 27, 2017: 10:00am--1:00pm

Upcoming dates: Sunday, September 10, 2017: 9:00am Mass followed by family meeting in St. Jerome Church at 10:20am

Sunday, September 17, 2017: 9:00am Family Mass for all registered for 2017-2018 Program. (This Sunday is Catechetical Sunday in the United States.) Thank you for making attendance at this Mass a priority.

Sunday, September 24, 2017: Our classes begin.

May you experience continued blessings as we enjoy this summertime of year.

Theresa Fenzl, Director Children's Catechesis Program, 510 525-0876 theresaf@gmx.com

CATHOLIC FUNERAL & CEMETERY OUTREACH

Community Outreach Staff from the Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services, a Ministry of the Diocese of Oakland will be here this weekend, Saturday, August 19 & Sunday, August 20, 2017 to discuss the spiritual and practical reasons for learning about Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services. After each Mass, there will be a short presentation along with a question and answer session in Rohan Hall. Please take advantage of this opportunity to better understand the importance of a Catholic funeral and burial.

MAGNIFICAT SOTI, A MINISTRY FOR CATHOLIC WOMEN INVITE YOU TO A PRAYER BREAKFAST

Please join us, **September 16, 2017 9:30-12:30,** in welcoming our speaker, author Annette Baber! Annette was born and raised into a Jewish Orthodox family. She committed her life to Christ 48 years ago after a life shattering crisis leads her to cry out for salvation! Men are always welcome to attend! **Crowne Plaza,45 John Glenn Drive, Concord, CA Tickets are $33/$40 after Sept. 9th. Go to www.magnificat-ministry.net for more information/tickets call Jennifer at 503 709 8449**

WE ARE IN NEED OF EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS.

Training is provided and we can work around your schedule and assign you your chosen Mass Day and time. Please call Judy at 510-526-8947 for more information.

CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB

The Catholic Alumni Club invites single Catholic Professionals to a dinner at Tomatina, an outstanding Italian /Restaurant, 1325 N. Main St., Walnut Creek, CA 94596. Plan to have a good time and meet new friends.. Please be at restaurant at 5:30pm. Call Earle at 925-300-8811 for more information or to Reserve a space by August 24th at 7:00pm.

OCTOBER FUN-FEST AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

This is the October FunFest 2017 at the St. John the Baptist Parish and School Grounds, on Friday, September 30th there will be a Barbecue Dinner from 6-10pm . On Sunday, October 1 there will be a day of activities from 9-4pm with music, entertainment, games, international cuisine, desserts, book fair, country store gifts, raffle grand prize draw, and fellowship.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. Aug. 19	5:00pm	Int. of St. Jerome Parishioners
Sun. Aug. 20	7:30am	
	9:00am	Remo Rivera †
	11:00am	Int. of Srs. Elizabeth, Angela, & Margaret
Mon. Aug. 21	8:30am	Phillip Bettencourt †
Tues. Aug. 22	8:30am	Angelo Matteucci †
Wed. Aug. 23	8:30am	Salud Jegonia †
Thur. Aug. 24	8:30am	Ines Paraiso †
Fri. Aug. 25	8:30am	Julio Javier †
Sat. Aug. 26	8:30am	Tommy Reed †
	5:00pm	Molly Boey †
Sun. Aug. 27	7:30pm	Int. of St. Jerome Parishioners
	9:00am	Linda Jones †
	11:00am	Rose Cagnone †

The Week of August 21, 2017

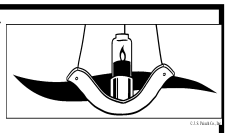
Mon. Aug. 21	9:15am	Renew-Rohan Hall
Tues. Aug. 22	1:15-5:00pm	Crafters-Rohan Hall
	7:00pm	Worship Committee Rectory
Wed. Aug. 23	10:30am	SVDP Food Pantry Rohan Hall
Thurs. Aug. 24	9:00am	Coffee Klatch-Rohan Hall
Fri. Aug. 25	6:00pm	Souper-Rohan Hall
Sat. Aug. 26	7:30am	Souper-Rohan Hall
	9:00am	Overeaters Anon.-Con. Room
Sun. Aug. 27	10:00 -1:00pm	Registration for Children's Catechetical Program - Rohan Hall
	Noon	Ice Cream Social Rohan Hall
	4:00pm	**Arise, My Love** Concert in Church Hosted by Tactus, SF For more information, please visit Tactus, SF on Facebook

8/13/17

Sunday Collection—$3280.50

Refugee Fund—$87.00

The Sanctuary Lamp for the month of August is for Terese, Joe, & Guido Addiego requested by Francesca Addiego.



WELCOME TO VISITORS AND NEW MEMBERS

You are invited to join our parish community. We have many activities and ministries that you are welcome to explore. Come to our Coffee & Donuts fellowship in Rohan Hall following the 9:00am Mass on Sundays. Please visit our website for current activities at http://stjeromeec.org/ To register, please fill out the information below. You may drop it in the collection basket or the parish office mail slot.

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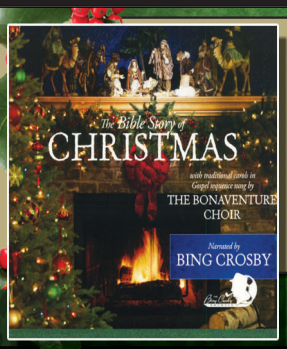

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