Christ Child Catholic Church

Dedicated to Growth in Christ and to the Challenges of Loving service

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SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME February 12, 2017

"Never curse the umpire...."

Angelo Bartlett Giamatti was the President of Yale University, and later the seventh Commissioner of Major League Baseball. Giamatti loved baseball. He felt that the structure of the game was a paradigm of the human journey in which all of us seek to break from the box, make a wide turn and get home safely. At his memorial service, Giamatti's son recalled endless hours in which his father (clad in a vest, a tie and a Red Sox cap) pitched them in to him. His son also recalled a word of advice, forcefully delivered after a Little League argument at first base (with father admonishing son): "Never curse the umpire. He's the only one who knows the rules." It was Giamatti's contention, you see, that the beauty of the game... indeed, the very ballet of the game... required someone who could define the difference between ball and strike, fair and foul, safe and out, and who could also articulate the rules that give the game its structure. For the rules are to baseball as the

law is to life. They are not the game. But without them, the game has no meaning. Or, as a character exclaims in Woody Allen's excellent film Crimes and Misdemeanors: "Without the law, all is darkness."
In today's Gospel, Jesus reinterprets the Mosaic laws giving them a new meaning.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By request or appointment

Sacrament of Baptism and Marriages

Call the office for an appointment

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated biannually at Mass or individually by appointment

For Pregnancy Support

Birthright 241-8444 or 800-550-4900

Prayer Group in the Parish

Every Tuesday at 8:15 a.m. All Women And all Men!

MASS INTENTIONS February 11 - 17

Saturday5:00 p.m. + Leslie R. OlsenSunday10:00 a.m. + Leslie R. OlsenTuesday9:00 a.m. + John Parker

8:00 a.m. + Judith Ann Hammond

Friday 8:00 a.m. Parishioners

Thursday

SUNDAY February 26th Care Packages for our Troops

Once again we will join with **The Mountain Bible Church** to put Jesus' love and mercy into practice with small practical gifts of encouragement to our men and women serving in the military overseas.

This is also proven to be a great event to invite you non-church neighbors who have a heart to do well.

Purchase any portion of any of these items and bring them with you on that day.

Black or white 100% cotton calf high socks

Medicated foot powder

Hand warmers (squeeze to activate) Food:

Cereal: Oatmeal that can be microwaved, other cereals that can be quickly prepared. Cup of noodles

Snacks. Crackers and cheese. Tuna and crackers. Granola bars. Jerky. Chewing Gum.

No candy / No chocolate Toiletries:

Sealed containers like those provided in hotels/motels, i.e. shampoo, lotion, etc.

No bar soap. No aerosols Razors. Feminine Hygiene Products

"MARDI GRAS PARISH PARTY!" Fat Tuesday! "Martes de Carnaval" IT'S HAPPENING....

This Fat Tuesday February 28th, 2017 The Men's Club invites you to enjoy good time, dinner and drinks, before the LENT beginning! The social will be from 6:00 to 6:45 after Dinner.

We spend time with every one! Welcome everyone in the parish and friends!!!

Stewardship of Treasury

Report Sunday February 4 & 5, 2017

Total Plate \$1,298.00 EFT \$ 637.00 TOTAL \$1,935.00

We Need Your Support. Thank you and God bless you!

Women's Club/Prayer Group

We meet the 4th Wednesday of each month. **February 22nd from 7-8:30 PM.**

Our focus is social and spiritual at the same time. Please contact Ruth McCormick ruthmcc@flasj.net

LENT 2017

"The Word is a gift. Other persons are a gift."

ASH WEDNESDAY

March 1, 2017 Masses 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ's victory over death. This season urgently calls us to conversion. Christians are asked to return to God "with all their hearts," to refuse to settle for mediocrity and to grow in friendship with the Lord. Jesus is the faithful friend who never abandons us. Even when we sin, he patiently awaits our return; by that patient expectation, he shows us his readiness to forgive.

Ash Wednesday is a day of universal fast and abstinence in the Church

Meet Young Catholic Families

2nd SUNDAY every MONTH

10 am Preschool GOSPEL

11 am Young Family Social

MountainCatholicwordpress.org.

Recycle – Free cycle Men's Club asks you bring all your cans!!!You give something...you get something.

Disaster Preparedness Workshops

The Mountain Emergency Response Corps (MERC), the local arm of the Red Cross, is presenting four free workshops on disaster preparedness for the mountain community. The next workshops are scheduled for the evenings of **March 7, April 4, and May 9** and will be held at 7:30 PM at the Redwood Estates Pavilion. The first two workshops will discuss how to prepare for the unique challenges a disaster might present in our mountain community.

Contact George Smith at 408 353-1384 (ae6ke@comcast.net) or Phil Whiteside at 408 505-8485 for information about these workshops. All mountain residents are invited.