

Christ Child Catholic Church
*Dedicated to Growth in Christ and to the
Challenges of Loving Service*

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**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
JULY 3, 2016**

Jesus needs leaders

One leader in the Old Testament who possessed both expressive and instrumental leadership abilities was Josiah (2 Kings 22-23). **King Josiah** was a great leader. When he came to the throne of Judah at age eight, the nation was essentially pagan. Heathen altars stood on the high hills, and the people offered incense to false gods. The Lord God was forgotten. The Law was lost. The Temple was closed and the Passover was only a distant memory. When King Josiah died 31 years later, the nation had been completely changed! The pagan altars were only piles of rubble. The Covenant with God had been renewed. The Law once again was read and revered. The Temple doors were opened and the priests fulfilled their duties faithfully. The Passover was celebrated and the Lord God, Yahweh, was worshipped. Josiah was a leader who knew how to lead God's people Israel.

Today's Gospel outlines Jesus' action plan for future leaders in his Church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By request or appointment
BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

Call the office for an appointment.

Anointing of the Sick

Celebrated biannually at Mass or individually

For Pregnancy Support:

Birthright 241-8444 or 800-550-4900

Prayer group in the Parish

Every Tuesday at 8:15 am. All women and men.

MASS INTENTIONS JULY 2 - 8

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Schaner Family
Sunday 10:00 a.m. + Leslie R. Olsen
Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Don & Gail Hanley
Thursday 8:00 a.m. Sandoval Family
Friday 8:00 a.m. Sundaran Family

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURY

Report Sunday June 25 & 26, 2016

Plate \$ 617.00

EFT \$ 565.00

TOTAL \$1,182.00

Second Collection Maintenance was

\$ 245.00

GOD BLESS YOU AND THANKS!

ROSARY

We pray the ROSARY together every Saturday at 4:30 PM. Please come to pray for the families and our Country!

Men's Club Meeting

Next meeting will be **Wednesday July 13th at 6:30 p.m.** Drinks and Dinner in the Community Center.

We provide very good support to one another.

Every man is WELCOME!!!

PARISH HARVEST PARTY & DANCE

LIVE BAND, GREAT MUSIC!

FANTASTIC FOOD!

ADULT BEVERAGES...

SEPT 10, 2016

6 PM TO 10 PM

Christ Child Church invites you!
For Information Gina & Don Boisvert
408 828.2035

RETROUVAILLE

A lifeline for marriages

MARRIAGE HELPS – Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriage. This program can help you, or someone you know too. For confidential information or to register for the next program beginning with a Weekend on **September 23-25, 2016**

Call 831 479-1260 or email:

Monterey@RetroCA.com or visit the web site at:

www.HelpourMarriage.com

Summer Envelopes

We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail or deliver their weekly envelopes or donations to the parish office while on vacation or out-of-town. As many of you understand our parish expenses and obligations do not take a vacation when you do, so it is very helpful to be able to rely on your continued support even when you cannot personally attend Mass here. God bless your summer and we pray for your family!
Fr. Eugenio

Happy 4th of July!

God bless us!

4th of July

This week, we celebrate the Fourth of July, Independence Day for the United States. I can recall the July 4th celebrations of my youth, watching the fireworks in my hometown of Lockport, N.Y., and thinking –even at a young

age—about the ideals that shaped this country, especially freedom of religion.

You see, as a young Catholic, I learned that people of *my* faith tradition were not always welcomed by those who came before us. We came from strange ethnic groups like Irish, German, Polish or Italian, and the dominant Anglo-Protestant culture was often fearful of us. We practiced a religion which fought wars against Protestant power in Europe. Our services used a strange language –Latin—and we claimed allegiance to what many saw as a foreign power: the Vatican. And Irish Catholic immigrants in particular were blamed for spreading violence and drunkenness.

Sound familiar? Muslims are in a similar position today... most coming from ethnic groups that are not highly represented in the United States today, like Pakistanis, Turks, Syrians and Iraqis. They practice a religion not well understood by the average American: Islam. They worship in mosques, not churches. Muslims fought wars with Christians for centuries. Their prayers are in a strange language: Arabic. Some believe they claim allegiance to foreign power. And many believe they are dangerous!

Yes, individual Muslims have committed horrific and violent crimes in places like San Bernardino, CA, and Orlando, Fla.....

The Fourth of July is a special day to remember core American values, one of which is religious freedom and respect for each other's beliefs, including those who claim no belief in God. But more than that, we are enriched by our diversity of beliefs and practices. Think of it as the beauty woven into the American tapestry of freedom. Those of all belief systems, religious or non-religious, deserve equal respect. **That is American at its best. And a blessed Independence Day to everyone!**
(From Maureen Fiedler –Catholic National Reporter).